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Mrs. Addie R. Clarke Establishes an Industrial Center for the Women and Girls of the Race.

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Special Courses Planned for the Season—North Carolina Mutual and Provident Insurance Company to Enter the District—Christian Endeavors Rally at Bethel Church—Dr. Montgomery for Head of Washington's Colored Schools—Mme. Hackley's Folk Song Festival—Town in Review.

(By R. W. Thompson)

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24.—One of the established institutions of the nation's capital, and one that is rendering a character of service not to be found anywhere else in this section of the country in such a perfected degree, is the Clarke Training School. It is housed in a spacious mansion, superbly equipped, at 2422 K street, Northwest, convenient to the students, to whom it offers practical courses in practical vocations, and located at the edge of the neighborhood in which reside the wealthy and influential clientele to whom it is supplying the skilled helpers that have long been sought, and too seldom found, to perform the manifold tasks necessary to the successful operation of the larger households of the land. The founder, manager and guiding spirit of this evangel of the modern domestic idea is Mrs. Addie R. Clarke, a woman of rare executive ability, of far vision as to the community's crying needs, and of intensely sound convictions as to her duty to the rising generation of young colored women, who must make their own way in the world.

Some years ago, at the request of a number of the leading families of the city, and in response to continued urging on the part of fashionable women's clubs and of such useful organizations as the Housekeepers' Alliance, Mrs. Clarke opened an industrial center for the expert training of women and girls in household pursuits. Through constant and persistent effort, and supported by the moral and substantial aid of powerful friends, Mrs. Clarke has developed, from the humblest of beginnings, an institution of which any people might well be proud. Among the patronesses of the school—a typical group of the many who have found its training methods a source of infinite satisfaction and comfort—may be mentioned: Miss Ellen A. Vinton, Mrs. Alice E. Whittaker, Mrs. T. L. Cole, Mrs. Joseph A. Gilfillan, Mrs. J. Nota McGill, Mrs. Alaquella Kohn, Mrs. F. H. Newell, Mrs. Lucy Madeira, Mrs. G. Otis Smith and Mrs. C. Macomb.

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Two Attractive Six-Week Courses Announced.

In addition to the regular curriculum, which includes practical household instruction and the finer arts of domestic science, the Clarke Training School announces for this month the inauguration of two very attractive courses, the actual work to begin next Monday. Mrs. Clarke says the first offering is to be a six weeks' course in millinery, handling the latest New York models for Easteh, and suggesting to prospective students or patrons the ease with which one may wear a hat possessing individuality as well as style and beauty. The second offering is a six weeks' course in ladies' tailoring. The inexperienced will be started on skirts and shirt waists, the more advanced will take up coat suits and opera coats. Women of today, no longer compelled to depend upon masculine relatives for support, are earning an independent livelihood by an expert knowledge of millinery and ladies' tailoring, and in pushing these gainful occupations before our girls Mrs. Clarke is rendering the race a distinct service, and assisting materially in solving an economic problem that is worrying the wiseacres among the whites as well as among the blacks of America. All instruction is under an expert, and a diploma from the Clarke Training School may be said to be—without fear of contradiction—worth more than its weight in gold.

Mrs. Clarke is a native of South Carolina, and during her sojourn here she has labored in the forefront of battle for the social, industrial and moral uplift of colored women and girls, and has won merited commendation for her never-failing public spirit and open-handed generosity in relation to all of the activities of her people.

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North Carolina Mutual and Provident Association to Enter District.

The North Carolina Mutual and Provident Association of Durham, N. C., the largest insurance corporation conducted by the colored people in the South, is to enter the District of Columbia, if its present plans go through as outlined. Mr. C. C. Spaulding of Durham, vice-president and general manager of the association, has been in the city this week, arranging with the insurance authorities for the necessary papers to establish the right of his organization to do business within the confines of the District. The North Carolina Mutual has on deposit in its own State over $100,000 to guarantee policy-holders, and the District sustains such reciprocal relations with North Carolina that business can be done here by the company without additional financial outlay. The company has large interests already in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, and besides entering the District of Columbia, will shortly begin a movement to work in Virginia and West Virginia, with Tennessee to follow. The success of the North Carolina Mutual and Provident Association, which last year did a business of nearly half a million dollars, is a masterly tribute to the ability of the Negro as a financier and commercial genius.

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Christian Endeavorers Rally "for Christ and the Church."

The rally of the United Christian Endeavor of the District is one of the big events that the Bethel Literary and Historical Association "pulls off" each year with eclat. This year's meeting, last Sunday afternoon, at Bethel, where twenty-six churches were represented by a large attendance, was representative of the best of the long and brilliant line. Mme. Marie A. D. Madre, the polished president of the Bethel Literary, presided and delivered a graceful address of welcome to the Endeavorers. The Endeavorers' portion of the program was directed by Miss Emma Hall. Mr. J. R. Moss, chairman of the C. E. Workers' Conference of the District, introduced the principal speaker of the evening, Rev. W. T. Johnson, pastor of the First African Baptist church of Richmond, Va., who took for his theme, "The Needs of the Hour for Young Christian Workers." He described the primary need as "preparedness" for every phase of uplifting activity, with the spirit of service and sacrifice. The banner given each year to the society turning out the largest percentage of its enrollment was again won by the C. E. Society of Shiloh Baptist church, which had present 95 per cent of the membership. The Nineteenth Street Baptist church was second, with 93 per cent, and St. Paul's A. M. E. ran third, with 73 per cent. The presentation of the banner was made by Rev. W. H. Stoker of Richmond, Va. The judges were Leon S. Wormally, L. G. Cuney, S. C. Z. Westerfield, John A. Miles, with A. S. Pinkett as chairman of the board. Dr. J. H. N. Waring presented resolutions expressive of the Bethel Literary's sorrow over the death of Miss Parthenia E. Wooden, a member of the teaching corps of the District, and corresponding secretary of the organization. Rev. J. Milon Waldron secured the passage of a resolution denouncing the liquor traffic as now conducted in the city and condemning the proposed referendum, wherein the citizens are being asked to vote whether Congress shall enact a prohibition law for the District. He feared the referendum, as it might lay open a way by which the electorate might be corrupted by the liquor element and the blame for the maintenance of the saloon fastened upon the colored brother. Rev. J. M. Derano, a missionary from the Cape Verde Islands, in this country to secure aid for his starving brethren, spoke briefly.

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Prof. John T. Layton Passes Away.

Prof. John T. Layton, identified with musical instruction in the public schools of the District for thirty-five years, a large part of that period assistant director of music in the colored divisions, died Monday of last week at his home, 1722 Tenth street, Northwest, at the age of seventy-five years. His illness had covered many months, and not long ago he was given an indefinite leave of absence from the choir of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, where he had served as chorister for forty-five years. He was a veteran of the Civil War, and was prominent in the local post of the G. A. R. He was a member of many fraternities, among them the F. A. A. M., the Colored Oldest Inhabitants' Association, the Independent Order of St. Luke, the Teachers' Benefit and Annuity Association and the Banneker Relief Association. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Julia Mason Layton, known throughout the nation as an orator, organizer and worker for the social uplift of humanity. Also two sons, J. Turner Layton, a New York musician, and Alfred Mason Layton, a student in the M Street High School.

Prof. Layton's career in this community was long, picturesque and useful. Besides his work in the schools and choirs, he was a willing helper in all of the larger musical affairs here, being the director of the famous S. Coleridge Taylor Choral Society, the most notable organization of its kind in the country. His musical education was acquired by dint of hard work year by year. He attended at various times the Cardiff and Collins Institute, Round Lake Conservatory at Martha's Vineyard, the West End Conservatory, the New England Conservatory, Boston, and Wilberforce University. From the last named he received the degree of Doctor of Music in 1906. The choir of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, under his direction, enjoyed a national reputation.

The funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, Rev. C. H. Stepteau officiating, assisted by practially all of the leading ministers of the city, regardless of denomination. Music was rendered by the choir, led by Prof. C. H. Wesley. The body laid in state at the Metropolitan church Thursday and Friday, and a vast concourse of friends, associate teachers and school children came to take a last look at the well-known features of the deceased educator. For the first time within the memory of this generation, at least, Kadosh midnight services were held in public over the remains of the departed grand master, the solemn rites being observed at low 12. The march of the 33d degree Masons up the aisles of the darkened church, all bearing candles and wearing the insignia of the 33d degree of their order, was a weird spectacle to the uninitiated. The chanting of the ritual was dignified and impressive.

As a special mark of honor, the Board of Education ordered the flags on the colored schools to hang at half-mast throughout Thursday and Friday. Following the funeral Friday, which was attended by a crowd that packed the church and extended far down M street, the remains of Prof. Layton were laid to rest in Harmony cemetery. A formal memorial meeting is planned, to take place at an early date.

For the succession as assistant director of music in the public schools, Miss Lola Johnson, Marie C. James and Prof. Wellington A. Adams are mentioned. Mrs. Gabrielle Pelham is highly spoken of in this connection. If an outsider is to be considered, the friends of Mme. E. Azalia Haekley say she would be the very best timber that could be selected. J. Rosamond Johnson of New York is also mentioned, but it is hardly probable that he would be induced to allow the use of his name as a receptive candidate. The position is one that calls for the highest musical ability.

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Mme. E. Azalia Hackley's "Folk Song Festival."

Mme. E. Azalia Hackley, the noted prima donna soprano, is here, fresh from successes in Trenton, N. J., Bordentown, N. J., New York city, Cheyney, Pa., and other points, and is hard at work rehearsing the chorus of 200 voices for the "Folk Song Festival," which is to be held next Tuesday evening at Metropolitan A. M. E. church, under the auspices of the Bethel Literary and Historical Association, of which Miss Marie A. D. Madre is president. Mme. Hackley is being assisted by the talented contralto, Miss Pauline James Lee. Only the productions of Negro composers are to be used. The selections will embrace the works of Carl Diton, Will Marion Cook, H. T. Burleigh, S. Coleridge-Taylor, R. Nathaniel Dett, Rosamond Johnson and others. The entertainment offered is something out of the ordinary, and the advance sale of seats indicates that the attendance is to be of the record-breaking variety. After this event, Mme. Hackley goes to Pine Bluff, Ark., to give voice demonstrations, recital and perhaps another folk song festival.

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Dr. Montgomery for Assistant Superintendent.

The sentiment for the appointment of Prof. W. S. Montgomery as the successor of Roscoe Conkling Bruce as assistant superintendent of the Washington colored schools is widespread and insistent. A change is regarded as necessary to the best interests of the schools and is earnestly desired by the 600 teachers, the 15,000 pupils and 99 per of the 100,000 colored citizens of the District. Such a wave of dissatisfaction with present conditions should be more than a hint to the Board of Education, and would result in the action desired, were the nine individuals on the board in any way responsive to popular feeling. The wishes of no other race on earth than the Negro would be so ruthlessly ignored as is true of the present situation in the nation's capital.

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National Benefit Company's Calendars.

The calendars for the year gotten out by that splendid business organization, the National Benefit Association, are indeed "things of beauty and joys forever." The large calendar shows the Shaw monument in Boston, a memorial commemorating the valiant deeds of the officers and men of the 54th Massachusetts, the first Negro regiment sent from the free States during the Civil War. This is the monument on the famous Boston Common, which people of all classes travel many miles to study. The calendar for the home is entitled "Sweet Memories," and bears a likeness of Miss Vivian Lucile Thompson a strikingly beautiful pose. The mailing calendar is of a similar type of prettiness, and is entitled "Day Dreams," with Miss Arnetta L. Coston as the subject. The three calendars are done in attractive colors and mounted in handsome style, representing the "last word" in high-class lithography and printing. The National Benefit Company, headed by Dr. R. W. Brown as president and S. W. Rutherford as secretary, employs hundreds of young colored men and women in their home offices and field service, and is a source of pride to every right-thinking member of the race in the land.

THE TOWN IN REVIEW.

The Y. M. C. A.'s six-day campaign netted $1,300. Secretary W. H. J. Beckett is doing a great work at this uplifting institution.

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The rumor of the death of Prof. John T. Layton is untrue.

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Edward L. Scott is doing a fine business in real estate. He is a former Texan and has been connected for a number of years with the Treasury Department in a responsible capacity.

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The school fight is far from over. The people will not rest until they have secured a change in the existing administration of the colored schools. An assistant superintendent is wanted in whom the masses have confidence and with whom the teachers can work in harmony and sympathy. The boom for the elevation of Dr. W. S. Montgomery is as healthy as ever. All that is needed, in the opinion of the best authorities on the school situation, is a Board of Education that will respond to the wishes of 99 per cent. of the colored people of Washington and eliminate from the system the incumbent, Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conkling Bruce, who has kept the schools in hot water ever since his advent here nine years ago. The fight has just begun.

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The decision of Justice Stafford in the case of Dr. W. Bruce Evans is expected almost any day. The public is unanimous in the wish that as an outcome of the plea for a writ of mandamus the court orders th Board of Education to restore Dr. Evans as principal of Armstrong Manual Training School, from which, it is claimed, he has never been legally dismissed.

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The dramatic committee of the N. A. A. C. P. is to present on the 3d and 4th of March at the Myrtilla Miner Normal School, Miss Angelina Grimke's new race play, "Rachel," a contention for the equality of all men before the law. The play will be staged by Mr. Nathaniel Guy and Miss Rachel Guy will enact the stellar role of "Rachel." Miss Laura B. Genn is chairman of the drama committee of the association.

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Mme. E. Azalia Hackley returned to Washington this week to superintend the rehearsals of the great chorus which is to present the "Folk-Song Festival" on the 29th at Metropolitan A. M. E. church, under the auspices of the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. Miss Marie A. D. Madre, president of Bethel, is giving the business management her personal supervision and it is assured that the entertainment will draw a monster crowd. Miss Pauline James Lee will assist Mme. Hackley in the work of training the chorus, estimated to embrace over 200 voices.

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Metropolitan A. M. E. church is taking steps to "look its prettiest" during the forthcoming session of the Baltimore conference. Extensive and much-needed improvements are to be made upon the interior. The walls are to be redecorated and an electric lighting plant is to be installed. Rev. C. H. Stepteau is making a great record as pastor of this famous church.

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Local political leaders say the ticket headed by Attorney Frank J. Hogan and Dr. E. D. Williston will win for delegates to the Republican national convention. The effort in certain quarters to discredit these splendid gentlemen and true-blue Republicans is said to be bringing the masses more enthusiastically to their standard. Julius I. Peyser and G. W. Robinson are on the Hogan and Williston ticket as alternates. The delegates will go to Chicago uninstructed.

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The bill changing the appointing power for recorder of deeds from the President of the United States to the District Commissioners has been passed by the House of Representatives. The provision that the recorder must be a bona fide resident of the District of Columbia was adopted along with the bill. If the Senate agrees and the President signs the measure, the Recordership question will pass from the purview of the White House. The office has been vacant since July 1, 1914.

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Solon S. Chivis, recently of the Coast Guard Service, has been promoted by order of Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and transferred to the appointment division at an increased salary. Mr. Chivis, who is from Arkansas, is the ninth colored man to be promoted in the treasury department since the opening of the new year.

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The community was shocked Sunday night by the death of Mrs. Susie Fisher Pinchback, wife of Lieut. Walter A. Pinchback. This excellent young woman had been ill for some time, but only recently was it realized that the end might be near. She died at the home of her father, Mr. Henry Johnson, 3707 New Hampshire avenue, whither she had gone with the hope that the suburban air might check the development of her ailment. Mrs. Pinchback was long a member of the clerical force in the office of the Recorder of Deeds and was exceedingly popular in society circles. The funeral was held Wednesday at St. Luke's P. E. church, Rector T. J. Brown officating.

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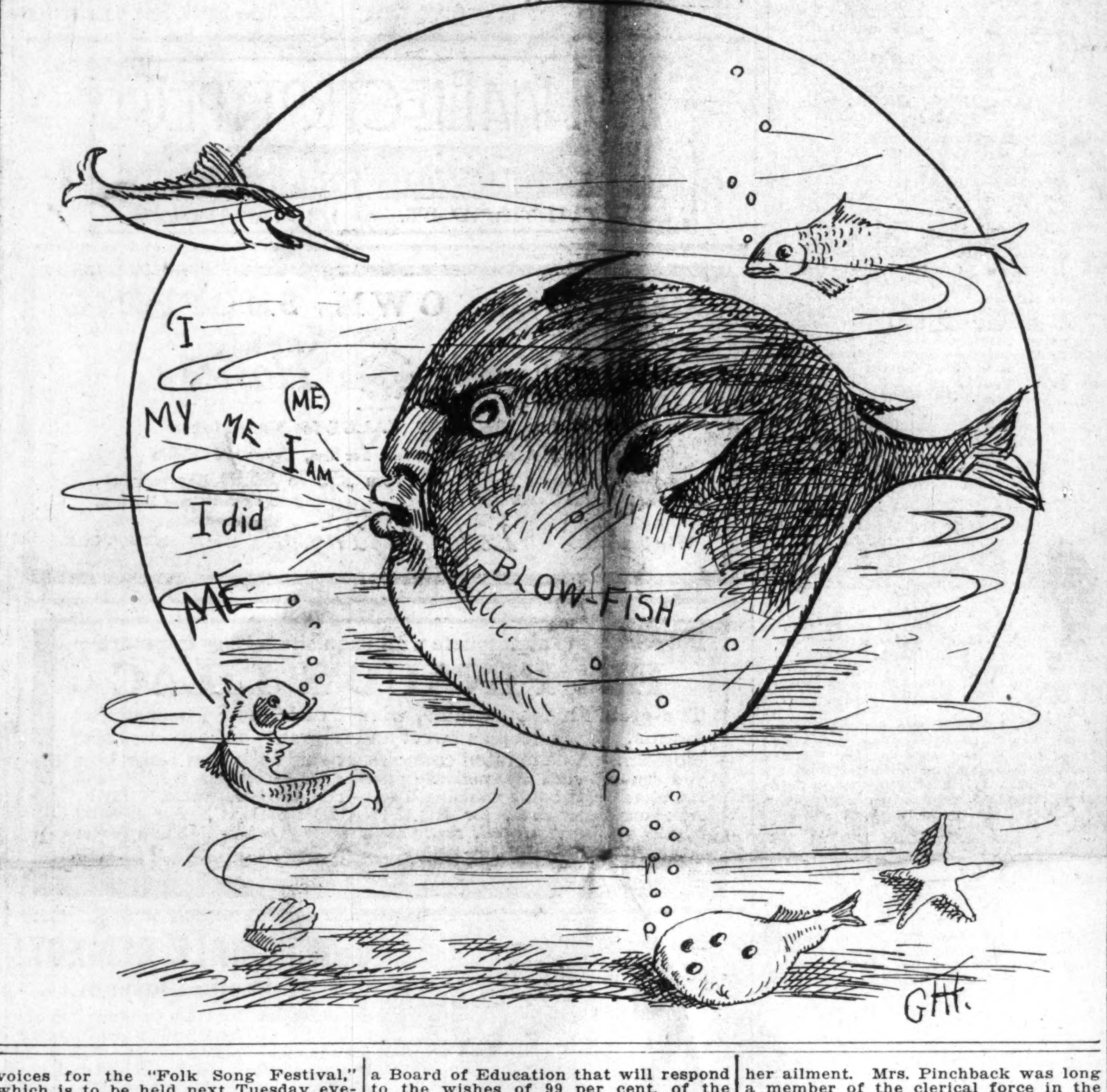
The National Emancipation Commemorative Society observed the 107th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln last Sunday at John Wesley A. M. E. Zion church. The speakers were Representative Warren Worth Bailey, of Pennsylvania, Judge Robert H. Terrell, Rev. W. H. Jernagin and Miss Ethel Robinson. Musical members were rendered by the choir directed by A. D. Gilmore, Mrs. Anna Gillem Green, James H. Marshall and George J. Dawson. Prof. Jesse Lawson presided.

LIQUID AIR.



BRUNSWICK, GA.

(By Praylor Keith.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. W. H. Thomas, the popular janitor at the custom house and postoffice building here, left for Albany, Ga., last Thursday, February 18, where he was happily married to Mrs. A. L. Oral on the 19th at 2 o'clock p. m., at the residence of the bride, No. 1203 North Washington street, Albany, Ga. The bride is one of the best business ladies of that section, being engaged in the undertaking business. We wish for them sweet sailing through life.

Sir Knight Jack Johnson, who has been on the sick list for three or four months, passed away last Thursday at his residence, No. 1203 F street. The remains were put to rest last Sunday from Mt. Zion church, conducted by Rev. S. C. Rosell, pastor. Mr. Jackson was also a member of the Supreme Circle, K. of P., and Odd Fellows.

Discon & Phoenix cafe is one among the best in the city. They invite you to pay them a call at any time. Their bill of fare will not only take your breath, but it will make you look like the cook, Mr. William Phoenix. He eats the pure food cafe lunches. That's why he keeps fat. Don't forget the place, No. 202 Monk street.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to The Freeman.

Great interest in the special service for Central Club to be held at Oak Hill A. M. E. church, Sunday, February 27. This club occupies a much needed place in the life of the Afro-Americans of this city. Standing as an organization for the betterment and advancement of the race, the members of the club anticipate a large turnout for this occasion.

Buckeye Lodge of Elks No. 73 will meet in regular session Thursday evening, March 2, and will complete all arrangements for their annual party, March 7.

Randolph Myers, who died a short time ago, was formerly of Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Fannie Leonard, of St. Louis avenue, and Edward Lee, city, were quietly married last week at the home of Mrs. R. Jackson.

Mrs. Richetta Alexander died at the home of her niece, Mrs. Maud Pryor, West Fed street, Thursday, and was 66 years old. She was a resident of Steubenville, O., for years and leaves no relatives. Funeral was held Saturday. Rev. W. O. Harper officiated.

Mrs. Hannah Boggess, of Edward street, is on the sick list.

Jelbert Scruggs returned after a three weeks' trip in the east.

Mrs. Anna B. Howard died at the family residence, Stop 26, Sharon line, Thursday, age 38. She leaves three children.

A number of Youngstown people attended the dance in Ashtabula Tuesday evening.

The B. Y. P. U. of Third Baptist church will give a free social Friday evening, February 25.

Mrs. M. Brown, mother of Mrs. J. M. Fagan, who has been ill, remains the same.

Archie Thomas has the rheumatism.

ST. LOUIS TO VOTE ON SEGREGATION

Ordinance Proposed to Separate Colored and White and Colored Residents to be Decided Tuesday

OPPOSED BY THE MAYOR AND LEADING CITIZENS

Supreme Court Awards Constables Office to Charles H. Turpin—Alonze Moore, the Magician, Killed by an Accident at McBane, Mo.—String Beans, the Eccentric and Inimitable Comedian, Again Demonstrates his Popularity in St. Louis on Monday Night, February 21—General Theatrical Notes.

(By Herbert T. Meadows.)

ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 23.—The two ordinances proposed by the initiative method, designed to segregate the negroes in this city from the whites, will come up before the voters Tuesday, February 29th. Both ordinances are practically the same as the one now in force in Louisville, Ky., except that one prohibits any colored person from using as a residence or place of abode or to establish and maintain as a place of public assembly any house, building or structure or any part thereof in any bloc kof which seventy-five per cent is occupied by whites. The other provides that same shall be unlawful where white persons are residing and no colored at the date of its passage.

The ordinances are so written as to act equally in restricting the whites.

An effort was made to have the initiative clause in the new city charter declared void as conflicting with the state constitution, its legality being tested in the courts by the local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People through its colored legal representatives, Homer G. Phillips and George L. Vaughn.

After an adverse decision by the Circuit Court, an appeal was taken to the State Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court in a decision February 21, sustained the circuit judge, stating expressly that the court does not pass on the legality of the segregation laws, but merely holds the election has been called legally.

It is significant that a clause in the opinion reads thus:

"Nor can it be doubted what judgment would be given if it were shown that a law had been enacted in violation of the fundamental principle upon which the government of the state and nation is founded, or destruction of the legal rights of persons or property of any citizen or class of citizens of the United States."

The segregation measure originated in the Real Estate Exchange and is supported by many propertyholders and apparently the Catholic church. The negroes are actively supported by Mayor Kiel, prominent citizens of local and national reputation and practically the entire Jewish population.

The mayor presided at an anti meeting held in the Central High School (white) Monday night. The speakers were F. N. Judson, Charles Nagel, former Secretary of Commerce and Labor; Former Judge Leo Rassieur and William Marion Reedy, editor of "The Mirror."

Several important meetings are scheduled by the anti-segregation committee of whites during the week. The present registration is 137,257, of which number only 9,846 are Negroes.

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Turpin Wins in Supreme Court.

The Missouri Supreme Court has handed down a decision in the Turpin-Powers contest for the office of constable in the Fourth district. A colored man, proprietor of the Booker T. Washington Theater, was the first and only negro to hold an elective office in the state of Missouri. He was elected constable in 1910 and was the Republican candidate for re-election in November, 1914.

Powers, a white Democrat, received the election certificate. A contest was instituted by Turpin, who was declared elected in a circuit court decision in August, 1915.

The case was taken to the Supreme Court by Powers, and the decision rendered sustains the ruling of the lower court that Turpin was entitled to the office. He will assume the duties in a few days and receive pay for the entire term of four yars. He will appoint two colored deputies.

ALONZO MOORE KILLED.

Alonzo Moore, the great magician, was accidentally killed Saturday, February 12. He was driving in a buggy from McBane, Mo., to Milo, to fill an engagement. While crossing a stream, the horse balked, throwing Moore out. One of his heavy trunks fell on him, burying him under the ice. He died before help arrived.

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St. Louisians Still Wild About String Beans.

String Beans, the ecentric and inimitable rag time comedian, again demonstrated his popularity in St. Louis Monday night, February 21, by packing the Booker Washington theater before the curtain rose on the first show and the S. R. O. sign has been up ever since. He is undeniably the biggest drawing card that visits this city and to his credit it can be said that since he has discarded all vulgarity his popularity has grown immensely. It seems that the patrons will never tire of his characteristic burlesque and queer antics. His new partner, Mrs. Burton, shows much talent and with a little training will develop into a footlight star. She has a strong voice and graceful actions. St. Louis has seen several good performances during the past few months, but it is assured that String Beans will break the record attendance this week.

Buddie and Toy Brown are scoring nicely in a return engagement. This graceful pair are favorites here and they are always rewarded with generous applause. The female member ranks high on the vaudeville stage.

Benbow and Baby, a black-face comedian and a lady, keep the house in an uproar with their absurd hiliarity. Their several song and dance number were well rendered and they are making a fine impression on their first visit here.

CREAM CITY NEWS.

(By H. Jones.)

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—(Special)—The seventeenth of February concluded the concert session at St. Mark's A. M. E. church. Several well rendered selections, including a trombone solo by Mr. Harvey Holland; duet by Mr. Millard Nolan and Miss Dotty, and a picked quartette worth mentioning. Mr. Edward Dotty rendered a few of his specials on the piano.

On the Sick List.

Mr. William Pleasant, worthy prelate of Palestine Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., has been very sick for the past three or four weeks and was compelled to give up his work. He was employed at the Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Mary Roach, of 306 Eighth street, was called to Waukesha, Wis., to the bedside of her father, who is very ill.

The minstrel show and ball conducted by Mr. A. W. Smack and Mr. Louis Young proved to be a success last Wednesday, when the order was given to not allow any more to enter, as the hall was full and a demand is now being made for another such affair. Talent must get together, but add more ladies to the cast.

LOUISVILLE, KY., NOTES.

The organization locally known as the N. A. of Colored Men, headed by Dr. A. C. McIntyre, president of the organization, also president of Falls City Medical Society, are doing things here in Louisville, Ky. They have carried the segregation law to the Supreme Court of the United States, also fighting the Jim Crow law offered up in the Kentucky legislature to separate the Negroes from white, and have so far got some of the best white men interested in all obnoxious laws that have been offered. A committee of these able gentlemen called upon the mayor and in the most able manner showed why the "Birth of a Nation" should not be shown here. It has had but very little asistance from the public.

Louisville, Ky., to my many friends in the theatrical world, I am located at 13th and Walnut at moving picture and vaudeville house as manager. Yours, Eugene Clark.

S. W. Green, of Louisiana, Supreme G. C. of K. P. was here as a visitor of the G. C. Garvin of Ky. The board at the new hall had a banquet in his honor. Two dollars a plate, and was well attended. The business was in regard to K. P. Temple. A. L. Garin, G. C., was master of ceremonies.

NEWS ITEMS OF TERRE HAUTE, IND.

Rev. L. M. Hagood, D. D., was in Indianapolis last Sunday. He presided at the great Lincoln-Douglass meeting.

The Civic League met last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. E. L. Foor, the educational secretary of the Anti-Tuberculosis Society, spoke on "Better Housing Conditions."

Mrs. Susie Golden of South Second street, who has been ill for some time, is improving.

The parents and teachers of the Booker Washington school held a very interesting meeting last Friday evening. Mr. David Jenkins is president.

Terre Haute now has a colored dentist in the person of Dr. Stephen Auter of Chicago.

The friends of Miss Mamie Donaldson gave her a very pleasant surprise on her birthday last Tuesday evening, at the home of Mrs. Grant Crone, 1322 South Thirteenth street.

HICKMAN, KY., NOTES.

William Bragg, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bragg, met with a very painful accident Thursday of last week, while playing ball at school. He fell and broke his leg.

Mrs. Marietta Barbee closed her school at Mud Creek last week with a picnic for the pupils and parents.

Mrs. Zada Griggs spent Sunday at Dodds, the guest of Mrs. Frank Smith.

It was a large and appreciative crowd that attended the George Washington party at U. B. F. Hall Wednesday night. Hale's Concert Band is always a favorite, and the benefit is a credit to the Busy Bee Club.

Mr. Amos Harris is confined to his bed, suffering from bronchitis.

Mrs. Charles Menefee is convalescing.

Mrs. Edward Phillips of Owens is suffering an attack of grippe.

Mr. Robert Collier has opened a blacksmith shop on Second street.

Rev. R. D. Stoner had a mass meeting at his church Monday night, preparatory to beginning his revival.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Collier entertained the Busy Bee Club Monday night at their residence on Moulton avenue.

JACKSONVILLE NEWS.

(By Nellie Early, 414 E. Superior St.)

Mrs. Jerome Rollins of South West street attended her sister-in-law's funeral at Pittsfield, Ill., recently. Her name was Mrs. Otis Watts.

Mr. James Johnson of South West street and Mrs. Gold Mack of 1319 Center street are slowly improving from their illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hall of Litchfield, Ill., are making their home with Mrs. Ed Terry of Lurton street.

Prayer meeting was held last Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. C. Barnett.

Mr. Frank Shropshire of Omaha, Neb., was called here recently on account of the illness of his sister, Mrs. Bell Parish.

Miss Nina Moore of Pittsfield, Ill., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Alcenda Bryan of 483 South Clay avenue.

The musical given Tuesday night, February 15, at the Second Baptist church by Miss Dora Moore's Sunday school class was largely attended.

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(By J. J. Amos)

Special to The Freeman.

PADUCAH, Ky., Feb. 17.—Monday the second semester began, with Masters George Spillman and James Granger averaging, respectively, 100 per cent. in geometry at Lincoln High School, recently. This speaks well for the Lincoln Highs, with hopes that they and other pupils may ever strive to average a creditable percentage. During the examinations held two weeks ago, a few pupils showed themselves up as being deficient, while the majority averaged creditably.

It is no secret that in some states the opportunity the Negro has for his "preparedness," i. e., education, is considerably abridged, therefore, it should interest all, especially education seekers, to do their best in their studies every day. And if you have any leisure, make your "leisure count."

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Busy Cupid.

January 18 Miss Hettie Boyd and Mr. J. D. Harris were married in the parlor of the Rev. R. E. Pearson's residence, 2106 N. Thirteenth street, by Rev. Pearson. Miss Hettie, as she was so often called, is connected with a well known and respected family. Mr. Harris is one of the leading barbers of the city and is also a member of the Barber's Union. He is proprietor of a shop at 703 Trimble street, and is enjoying a profitable business. Mr. and Mrs. Harris are residing on North Eighth street, near Campbell.

February 4, Mr. John H. Adams and Miss Mary Chambers were married at the residence of the bride, 802 South Tenth street. The Rev. I. H. Pinkston officiated. After the ceremony music and luncheon followed.

Just a short time ago, Brookport, a town in "Dear Illinois," across the river from "Old Paduke," was the scene of the marriage of two prominent persons, Miss Mosse Roberts, of Metropolis, and Mr. Ulysses Kevil, of Paducah. Miss Roberts enjoys the acquaintance of a host of friends and has during the past several years taught school in Massac County, Ill. Mr. Kevil is a resident of Paducah, and is rated among the city's best and well educated friends. He, is an instructor in a school at Brookport. As Mr. and Mrs. Kevil are both teachers of school, very certainly they understand the school song: "Reading and Writing and Arithmetic," as well as being taught by and teaching with the "Tune of a hickory," etc.

We extend greetings to all the above mentioned married couples.

Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the St. James C. M. E. church, several pastors and congregations of other churches assembled and engaged in exercises in honor of the great emancipator, Abraham Lincoln. Invocation, by Rev. J. W. Crews; music, "America." Mrs. Elizabeth Buford read the proclamation. Remarks by Rev. Wm. Foster, pastor of Seventh Street Baptist Church. "The Life of Lincoln and What It Means to the Negro," by Prof. J. B. F. Prather, principal of Lincoln High School. Rev. R. L. McCulley, pastor of St. James, also made remarks. Prof. T. D. Hibbs, principal of Garfield, was master of ceremonies.

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Mr. Thos. Radcliff, one of Grahamville's best known citizens, and having the record of having been a member and deacon of Cornell Chapel Baptist church for 44 years, recently died at the home of his niece in Grahamville. He lived to be 76 years of age, and had a large number of friends who loved him and regret his final departure. Mrs. Lizzie Durrett, Mr. John Durrett, and their son, David survive.

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Several moons have disappeared since the popular name "Ten-Ex" has been heard. The writer is authorized to say that the "Ten-Ex" club is now duly organized, and will enter the entertainment field with the following recently elected officers: Mr. Chas. Brown, president; Eugene Thomas, vice president; John Jones, secretary; Ernest Grubbs, assistant secretary; D. C. Morton, treasurer, and Mr. Will Brasher, chairman of the directors. The "Then-Ex" club has a record for furnishing classy and popular entertainments, to which hundreds of pleasure seekers have paid their admission without the least regret. Wait for the "Tex-Ex."

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Last Friday night the "Cheney Concerters" were at the Arcade Theater, and proved to be a good crowd getter. "Peck's Bad Boy" was making them laugh at the Kentucky Theater Saturday night.

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Since the real cold weather has changed to a more moderate temperature, and with the ground hog making his annual and rapid exit, the tobacco business has begun to open more fully. Hodges, Stahl, Dickerson and the American Snuff Company are all working almost a full crew on full time, giving employment to several hundred persons.

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Friday was "dollar day" with the local merchants. Many shoppers, both from the city and surrounding territory brought their dollars to the city and got a dollar's worth, may be more, as some inviting bargains were seen on the counters of the city stores. The Merchants are well pleased with the "dollar day" dollars that came their way.

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Among the many changes and additions that have taken place since the new commissioners have taken the city's affairs over, is the enforcing of our "curfew" law. Att 8 o'clock every night, "curfew" (a whistle at the city water works) blows two long blasts, which means that all children must be off the streets unless accompanied by parents, guardian, or some one acting in a similar capacity. The way the big league players run the bases to bring in a score after they've put one over the fielders' heads, is only a mild movement compared to the speed boys of tender 'teens use in making it home before curfew time. Allowances are made for the kiddies who attend the "movies." About 9 or 9:30 grown-ups must be on their way home, too, or be rigidly questioned by the policemen. This law is being well enforced, which should prove very good for the entire city.

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Miss Lulu Mae Harvey, 1515 Clay street, entertained Friday evening in honor of her leaving to attend Fisk's University at Nashville. Those present were: Misses Neona and Mable Marable, Majorie Sills, Mrs. Rose Marable and F. Bowles, Santonia Hester and and Felix Bowles Santonia Hester and Mr. Pool, of Florence, Ala. A delightful two-course luncheon was served. Victrola music was heard, after which the guests extended their best wishes to Miss Lulu Mae and left for their homes.

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Mr. Rufus Winnberley, after attending his sister's (Miss Ada) funeral, left Saturday to resume his studies at Fisk's University. Mr. John Wimberley went back to Detroit, Mich; Aaron and Henry Wimberley have returned to Indianapolis, Ind., their place of employment. In mentioning the relatives of Miss Ada Wimberley we omitted her sister, Mrs. Jennybell Lefew.

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Mr. G. Bingham is improved, but not able to leave his home, 1294 South Tenth street. Mr. A. Jackson, 706 Caldwell, is also on the sick list.

SANFORD, FLA.

(By W. Clarence Steward.)

Willie Pugh left last week for Daytona where he will spend the winter.

Let us start from now and not lend our papers. Let our friends pay as well as we do and have it delivered to them.

Mr. W. C. Crittenden continues quite ill at his home, 505 Sanford avenue, and Mrs. Crittenden wishes to thank all friends for the kindness shown her in the time of need.

The Florida Blossom show gave one performance under their canvas theater on the night of January 24, and at 8 o'clock the S. R. O. sign was seen at the ticket box. The crowd was a record breaker. And for the show they "got 'em" some show and everybody works like clock work. The band is good and renders some classical music. Walter H. Childs has the band, and believe me he has a good one. Kid Rastus's high dive from the stage into the footlights on the ground storms the house, and when Clint Taylor came out and said "do that again, I did not see you," the house fairly went wild. J. H. Williams is stage manager and has together a good show. Adams the great is with the show and is riding more bicycles than ever. The sad news reached Mr. worthey here as he came into our town about the death of his father, and he left on the first train. Mr. Worthey has the sympathy of our whole community. The orchestra gave the Palm Garden a surprise after the show by coming down and putting over a few good ones. Clarence Steward spared no pains in making it pleasant for the bunch while here as that was once his road home. On Tuesday a. m., January 25, on their way to Titusville the Blossoms were placed on the same train on which the Silas Green show was en route to New Smyrna. And there were some handshaking and a meeting that will be long remembered and the reporter enjoyed this great meeting himself as he had worked on both shows. The train stopped here 15 minutes, then the train went slowly on with the two happy bunches. But, oh one fellow looked at the cars and with a sad heart started out for home, I tell you, boys, it is hard to stay when you hear the band and see the bunch get ready to leave.

Speaking of Silas Green, they all looked happy and Prof. Eph Williams was full of smiles. This shows that he must have had a good season.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Brock have moved into their new home on Sanford avenue, and it is some swell home.

Miss Kate Price, of the Florida Blossoms, was taken very ill while in our city, and she was not able to take up her duties on the stage that night. Her many friends here wish her a speedy recovery.

C. H. Moore left last week for Thomasville, Ga., to take treatments on his eyes.

Get The Freeman at the Palm Garden when in Sanford.

SHAWNEE, OKLA.

Prof. N. J. Calsar, principal of Dunbar school, and his staff of teachers, Misses Peach, Strong, Carey and Elliot, attended the Teachers' Association last week at Oklahoma City. He also carried several of his students, three of whom were on the program, namely: Misses Lucy Strong, Ratliff and Minnie Smith. The three young men from the school who attended were: Harvey Baker, Casby Ford and Wallace Richie. They said it was an elaborate affair. Mr. Brown Carr and Mr. Floyd Watson, the porters at the Burke and Norwood hotels, respectively, also attended.

Mrs. Dr. Brooks is better after several days' illness.

Bro. Thomas Bush is on the sick list.

Rev. Wm. Jones, of Lima, Okla., who was called to White Chapel Baptist church, will fill the stand tomorrow, Feb. 20th. Hear him.

Mrs. Mary Davis, a stanch member of Pleasant Hill Baptist church, has returned from an extensive visit to Texas, and is at her post of duty.

If you want your brain fed on wholesome food get in the habit of feasting on news in The Freeman.

Mrs. Robert McClendon is visiting her mother, Mrs. McGlasen, at Tyler, Texas.

Mr. Robert McClendon, the expert candy maker, will open a candy school to teach the trade. He has already received several applicants. Those interested will find him in the stone building in the 800 block on South Bell street. The course complete for $50.00.

Mr. F. R. Lawson, the ardent church worker, his finished raising the $28.00 the Sunday school was raising for the benefit of White Chapel Baptist church.

Bro. E. M. Williams, the young minister of White Chapel church, preached an interesting sermon last Sunday night.

CREAM CITY NEWS.

By H. Jones)

The death of Mrs. Ana Price was not sudden, but very shocking to her many friends, who visited her daily for the last four months at her home and the hospital, where the end came last Friday a. m. Mrs. Price will be missed by many. Her death came from heart failure. Mr. Chas. Price, husband of the deceased, will take the body to her home for burial, in Chattanooga, Tenn.

On account of the illness of Mrs. Rosa Bond, have called her son, Mr. Willis Bond to her bedside. Mr. Bond is the able manager for Mr. B. Sneed, 257 East Thirty-fifth street, Chicago. Mrs. Julia Washington also on the sick list, but this writing leaves both patients feeling much better. We hope their speedy recovery.

J. H. Wickliffe's Ginger Band gave a musical treat to the Golden Jinks Lodge No. 9520, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows at St. Mark's A. M. E. church, Monday evening, February 14, where the enthused audience packed the church and showed their appreciation of having their first time to hear this bunch of great musicians render such selections as the Descriptive March of all Nations, the Whip March, Unrequited Love, Uncle Tom's Cabin Descriptive, the Booker T. Washington, dedicated to the late Booker T. by Tom Lemonier, and the March on Wisconsin, and several other social selections that space will not allow me to mention. By co-workers of the church the program was compelled to start at 8:15 sharp, giving the Ginger Band one hour to play before returning to their duty at the Schlitz Garden, where they are playing indefinitely.

Miss Martha Steward, of 57 Knapp street, is back from her pleasure trip to New York City, where she visited her brother whom she had not seen in fifteen years. Then they both were children at home. Miss Steward found her brother not feeling so well, but the sight of her was better than a doctor and he was very soon able to show her the sights of New York, and Miss Steward entertains her friends explaining the many amusement places she visited while on her stay there and specially mentioned the Barron Astoria Cafe, 2275 Seventh avenue, and the Royal Cafe, at 71 West 145th street, as she was there on the opening of the royal tea room and the lady orchestra at the Lafayette theater. Miss Steward's brother is mail clerk at the postoffice in New York, and his many friends and co-workers helped him to entertain.

ALTON, ILL., NEWS.

(By Pearl Curtis.)

Mrs. A. Stuart's funeral was held February 7 at the Upper Alton Baptist church. Rev. Grant officiated.

Mr. Louis Goodin of Webster Grove, Mo., spent two days in Alton visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. Winston Perkins has returned home from Labada, Mo., where he was visiting his mother.

Mrs. Emma Kelly has returned home from St. Louis, where she visited relatives and friends.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Flowers, a girl, February 1, 1916.

A surprise party was given for Miss Doris Hardin Monday evening. Games of various kinds were played during the evening refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Bass of Kirkwood, Mo., spent a few days in Alton visiting relatives.

Mr. Robert Jackson has been removed from the hospital to Mrs. L. Wilsons residence. He is improving nicely.

The Freeman can be secured at Pearl Curtis' residence, 1107 Highland avenue.

CAIRO, ILL., NEWS.

Miss Mira Bennett is on the sick list this week. -- Mrs. Beulah Thacker Hall is dead. Mrs. Hall was a very much respected young teacher of Cairo, and leaves a host of friends to mourn her demise. -- The Ward sisters have removed from Thirty-second to Thirtieth and Poplar streets. -- The younger set will pull off a swell dance on Tuesday evening, February 22, at Twenty-sixth street hall. -- The Orange Grove club will have a meeting soon. -- The Freeman is on sale at James Watson's, 330 Twenty-fourth street. -- The Parent-Teachers' Association held its monthly meeting last Friday night at Garrison school. It was very largely attended.

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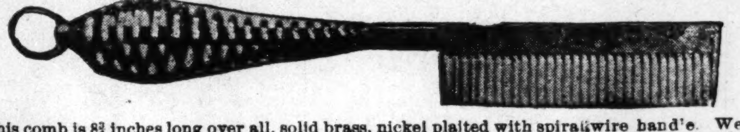

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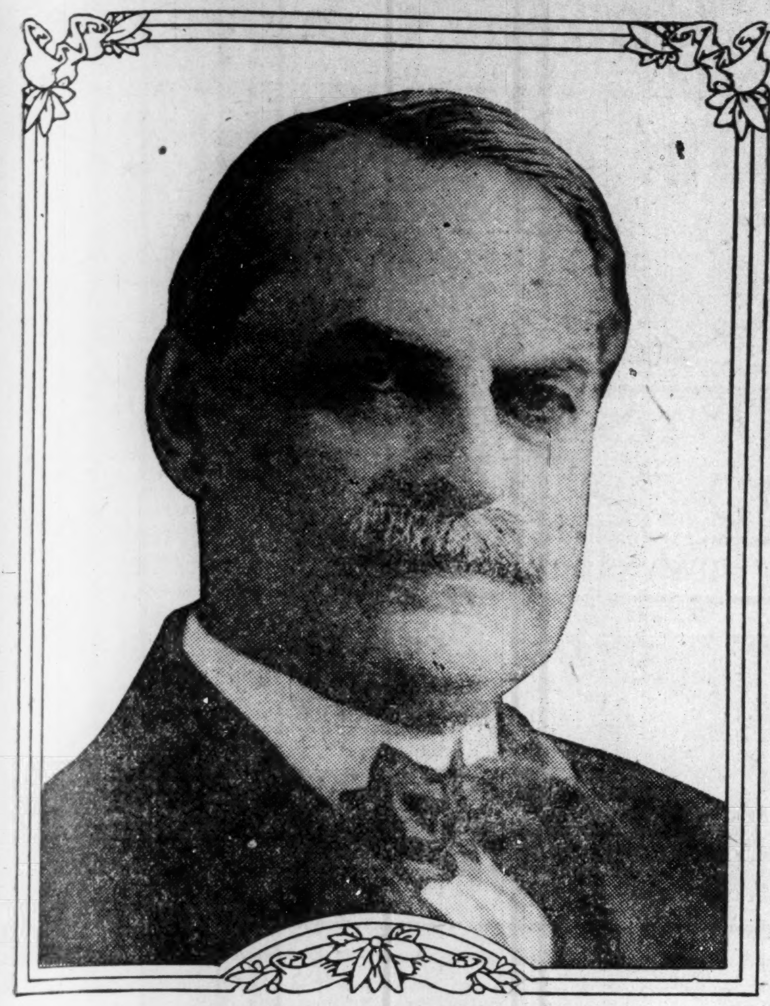

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Prosecuting Attorney

Subject to Republican Primary, March 7

Candidate for Renomination

He kept the faith.

He did what he promised.

His administration has done twice as much work as any former one for the same period of time.

His efforts for the Negro's protection are landmarks in the upliftment of the Race.

MAYFIELD, KY.

Events of a Week in Society.

Special to The Freeman:

Persons owing for the Freeman will please be ready to settle no later than Monday of each week.

I desire to express my sincere thanks to our friends and relatives for their many acts of kindness and appreciation to a party of friends consisting of 40 in number. Messrs. Dr. A. G. Taylor, Henry Leonard, who were foremost leaders. Others present were: Messrs. Thomas Smothers, Nat Ross, Wallace Kelly, Willie Mercer, Luther Byrd, George Taylor, A. E. Foster, I. B. Thomas, Walter Moss, T. A. Galbreath, Milcome Aker, H. S. Bomar, James Street, H. A. Williams, Clint Harris, Sam Jones, Elmer Gardner, P. B. Boaz, Abe Knuckles, Bud Mason, W. S. Stevens, Avery Dowdy, R. E. Wingo, Albert Owens, James Yandells, R. L. Wingo, Johnnie Wilson, H. P. Carman, R. H. Blythe, Lester Irvine, Albert Hale, Major John, Obe Henry, H. V. Johnson, R. Andrews, Frank Wilson. The tables were laden with a large supply of groceries. Presentation remarks were made by Dr. A. G. Taylor which was enjoyed by all present. Response, by J. W. Watson, host, after which Bro. Watson led in a fervent prayer. All returned home wishing Mr. Watson much success and prosperity in life. Signed by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Watson.

Mrs. A. Hale and Miss Augusta Moss entertained a large number of friends and relatives with a birthday surprise in honor of Miss Mary McFarland at their residence on Friday evening, February 11, 1916. The entire evening was spent in musical selections from Misses Mary and Dora McFarland and Miss Sadie Beadles.

Futrell's orchestra, of Paducah, spent Monday in this city furnishing music for a reception.

Misses Dora and Sadie Beadles, Blanch Bailey, Metta Hardin are attending Mutt and Jeff show at Paducah today.

One of the most delightful affairs of the season was a birthday reception given Monday, February 14, at Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams' residence in honor of their sister, Mrs. N. L. Ross. The rooms thrown open for the occasion were prettily decorated with festoons of crimson hearts and cupids and clusters of crimson carnations. Mesdames Laura Leonard and Minima Utterback who graciously welcomed the guests into the spacious hall which was decorated with potted plants, were both gowned in white and black silk crepe de chine. Other guests were as follows: Mesdames Judge Kelly, blue silk; Hattie Faulkner, lavender pongee; Lizzie Imes, black silk; Oscar Spivey, black satin; Mary Woods, black silk crepe de chine; Flora Terry, black messeline dress; Richard Blythe, taffeta silk; Ethel Drain, black silk; Sylvania Boaz, black pongee; Asale Duffy, black crepe de chine; Richie Pryor, blue taffeta silk; Sola Williams, red velvet; Caroline Kelly, black serge; Cuma Boatright, black serge; Arthur Woods, black satin; A. Q. Green, black silk crepe meteor; Viney Beadles, black chiffon net over satin; Ulysses Flowers, brown crepe de chine dress; Norma Prichard, red velvet; Mary Hutcherson, red with black net over bodice; Jennie Thompson, taupe gray satin; Ora Dowdy, blue taffeta silk dress; Edna Holifield, blue voile; Laura Wilkerson, chiffon voile dress; Willie Galbreath, blue crepe meteor; Ada Anderson, taupe gray coat suit; Maggie Carr of Paducah, Ky., blue messeline silk; Bunk Hayes, Rosa Andrews, black taffeta silk; Frances Tuck, Marshall Carman, Alma Johnson, Ellen Foster, all wore black silk crepe de chine dresses; Viola Wingo, Samantha Cooper, Ida Carman, Jewell Parchman, pink chiffon over satin; Mary Boaz, Misses Willie Collins, stripe taffeta silk; Clara Keys, Etta Wilson, Mattie Lou Jones, Mabel Humphries, all were gowned in blue and black satin dresses; Sadie Beadles, Blanch Bailey, were gowned in white net over pink satin. Music was the feature of the afternoon. Mr. Harvey Johnson, bass violin; Henry Williams, violin; Master Stewart Andrews, drums; Miss Sadie Beadles, piano. Prizes were won by Miss Clara Keys and Mrs. Rosa Byrd.

Read the Freeman for society news.

Messrs. Milton Moore and Otto Beadles entertained a few friends with a "Valentine dinner dance" at the Beadles' residence on East Water street. At intervals around the table were large filmy bows of soft tulle caught in the center with clusters of French flowers to which streamers of pink satin ribbons radiated from the center basket of blossoms. Silver compotes holding pink candy hearts suggested the valentine idea. The ladies wore fancy dresses while the men wore full dress suits. The orchestra rendered twenty numbers. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Parchman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hale, Messrs. Horace Street, Sam Jones, Otto Beadles, Luther Byrd, Grant Hester, Johnie Wilson, Clemmie Watson, Charley Hale, Walter McKiney, Odie Clark, Milton Moore and Misses Sadie Beadles, Clara Keys, Jennie Jones, Roxie Vance, Fanny Tucker, Etto Vance, Blanch Bailey, Dora Wilkerson, Minnie Hopkins, Augusta Moss, Etta Wilson.

JAMES E. WATSON

Republican Candidate for

United States Senator

Harvey Coonse

Harry Coonse has been on the Republican "Firing Line" in Marion County for 26 years, getting into the work when only 19. Mr. Coonse employs a colored man to manage his Ice Plant. Marion County Republicans will do well to put Harry Coonse to the front in 1916. Remember the slogan, "One Term Only"

To be Voted for all over Marion County

At the Republican Primary

Theodore D.

LAYMAN

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

FIRST DISTRICT

Mr Layman is now a member of the County Council—in this connection he knows of the duties of County Commissioners—he knows he can discharge the duties of County Commissioner economically and efficiently and will do so.

A man who has had eighteen years of success in the purchasing and contract department of a large jobbing business in the wholesale district and who managed it successfully the last twelve years ought to be equipped to look after the business of Marion County.

He asks for your support with sincere appreciation.

—VOTE FOR—

Theodore D. Layman

At Republican Primary, Tuesday, March 7, 1916.

For State Senator

J. Fred. Masters

Look over Your Ticket. Who Made the Fight Before?

A Life Long Republican

VOTE FOR

James P. Goodrich

Of Winchester

For Governor

He Stands for

A Square Deal.

Clean Government.

Laws fair to Labor and Capital.

A Business Like Administration.

Laws that will Lower and Equalize Taxes on Your Property.

The Logical Man for Republicans to Win with in 1916

ARTHUR R. ROBINSON.

Direct Appeal by Candidate for Republican Nomination for United States Senator.

"When I go to the United States Senate I will vote for nation-wide prohibition," says Arthur Robinson, candidate for the Republican nomination for United States senator. "On this great, vital, moral issue, which is not a party issue, I believe the voters should know where I stand, and what to expect of me. I speak for nobody but myself. For myself I feel free to speak on vital questions other than party questions. Indeed, I would not feel I had been fair with the voters if I had not stated publicly my position in favor of nation-wide prohibition."

In 1914, in the dark days of the Republican party, Robinson took his place on the firing line and on a party pledge for a new deal won a remarkable victory in Indianapolis and Marion county and went to the state Senate. As Republican floor-leader of the Senate, Robinson consistently worked and fought for new deal legislation on Republican lines and helped Indiana Republicans make good. Today Robinson stands squarely for the new deal pledge of his party. He arouses no antagonism; he stirs no bitter memories; he makes no entangling alliances. On the other hand, he appeals to the fair play instinct in all men; he is frank and courageous, rallies the elements which are essential to Republican victory, and splendidly represents the useful and important younger element in which the Republican party is being so gloriously and permanently renewed.

For ten months and more Robinson has been working tirelessly on an organization which covers the entire state. Politicians have been amazed by the growth of the Robinson movement. Democrats and Republicans alike are watching the Robinson boom grow and expand in all directions. Robinson's effective campaign, his public addresses and his sensational canvass have become the talk of the whole state. From the first he has been a factor. In straw votes he invariably has run first or second, and his strength steadily increases as time goes on. He has rallied the forces of good government by proving his qualities as a real leader.

Robinson is strong in Indianapolis. A meeting of the sixth ward voters, attended by some 700, gave Robinson a veritable ovation the other night, following the efforts of trained orators to win the voters for another candidate for senator. It is now admitted Robinson will get more than his share of the Marion county Republican primary vote. In other words, Robinson will win.

Arthur R. Robinson is 35. He is married and has a family. He is a successful writer, a successful business man, a successful lawyer, a speaker of unusual force, a student of affairs, a winner in politics and a square dealer in public office. Robinson has headquarters at his law offices, 603-605 Indiana Trust Building, Indianapolis, Indiana.—Adv.

Vote For....

Ira M. Holmes

FOR

Prosecuting Attorney

At Republican Primary, Tuesday, March 7,'16

"The Oath of Office is My Platform"

VOTE FOR

F. B. RANSOME

Candidate for Representative

Subject to the decision of the Republican Primary, March 7, 1916.

DR. RICH. A.

POOLE

Republican Candidate For

..County Coroner..

The First to Have A Colored Deputy

Primary, March 7, 1916

JOSEPH G. HAYES

Candidate for Re-nomination

County

..Commissioner..

Second District

Subject to the Republican Primary, March 7, 1916

Employs Colored Help Always

VOTE FOR

DR. FRED E. HICKSON

CANDIDATE FOR

CORONER

Subject to the Republican Primary, Tuesday, March 7, 1916

A. W. MOORE

Republican Candidate for

County Commissioner

Second District Primary, March 7,'16

CASIUS L. "CASH"

HOGLE

A Business Man of Integrity and Ability for

COMMISSIONER, 1st. District

Republican Primary, March 7, 1916

Vote For

William A. Oren

Candidate for

State Senator

Subject to Decision of Republican Primary, March 7, 1916

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SATURDAY, FEB. 26, 1916.

The weather's too fine; something's going to happen, suah.

If a body gives his money, need a body cry? Some of the fellows seem to be really hurt to know that the Y. M. C. A. got $500 in practically a lump.

No, it is not necessary to give up and die under any old circumstance. We fight civil irregularities as long as there is a fight left in us, but when the thing has been put over us we must wiggle along as best we can. Whether we like that doctrine or not, it is exactly what we do, or any other worsted people.

The campaign is warming up. Ex-Mayor Shank has entered as a speaker on the Harry C. New side. Mr. New is a candidate for United States senator. Shank is one the most effective campaigners in the country. He is not noted for his polish, but for his "hoss" sense. In a recent speech he referred to Mr. Watson, Mr. New's chief opponent, as "that guy." It was funny in view of Mr. Watson's standing. He has been a member of congress; has been candidate for governor; is now a candidate for senator, and yet he is a guy. Can you beat it?

The observation of George Washington's birthday in Indianapolis was far more distinctive than it has been for many years. Flags flew in the air as if they were suspended from nowhere, causing the feeling that they, our colors, were the natural pennant of the skies, the elect of the heavens. But on the other hand were those box kites, which filled the air, hovering over our city like the dreaded Zeppelins, causing the feeling that in the midst of life and seeming security we are menaced by forces that are outside of our power of coping. It may be that all were not impressed alike. However, we take it that the thoughtful who saw the big gun, heard it booming, saw the remnant of veterans in line, saw our flag fluttering with ghostlike freedom, and then those miniature appearing skycraft, could not but think of the struggle far away, where the bad and good, young and old, the just and the unjust are being struck down in a common heap, regardless of the beautiful lessons of virtue and its reward.

It may be just as well that the standing army is to be no more than 134,000 men. It will be plenty large enough in event of the eternal security dreamed of. One-half that number would answer very well in view of the very optimistic outlook on the part of those who do not think of danger. In event of real danger the 134,000 would be no more than a brief spell for one morning only. But we are to manage to get the states' troops federated somehow; so in the end we get a pretty good nucleus around which to build. Then the program is to make reserves out of the retiring regular army. Not so bad for a country whose natural defenses—the seas—are worth a million men. Then, too, we run a great risk in building up a big army. Republics seem especially susceptible to changes owing to them. Rome and France know what the great armies of the republics have been. Napoleon and the army offset the French revolutionary machinery. He complied, in form, when he complied, merely to be polite. We are, perhaps, too much like past Rome in spirit to have a million men standing, who would yet be subject to influences as other men. The army and Rome very often meant the same thing.

The Lincoln-Douglass day celebration at Tomlinson hall last Sunday was a great success as it concerns the memorials to those great men. The audience was not great in numbers, and there was a reason, otherwise the affair would have attracted the attention of many more hundreds. N. D. Brascher, who had the arrangements in hand, is known to be interested in the candidacy of James Watson for senator. It is, of course, Mr. Brascher's privilege. He is not being condemned for that. Many persons did not feel that the kind of meeting should have been held in connection with one man's candidacy. New and Robinson, the other candidates, should have been there in view of the occasion. There is nothing wrong in taking the opportunity to meet the people, but the invitation to meet them should have been general. The meeting was well managed, for which Mr. Brascher deserves credit. Mr. Watson was never in better mood than when he reviewed the life of Abraham Lincoln. He is a splendid speaker; this, with his subject, made for one of the finest efforts ever heard at Tomlinson hall. The audience had the pleasure also of seeing and hearing Judge Terrell, of Washington, D. C., the only Negro judge of which the race can boast. He paid a glowing tribute to Frederick Douglass in that he arose from the mire of slavery to a position of utmost distinction. He reviewed his life and activities along this line.

CRITICISING WILBERFORCE.

The redeeming feature of the communication sent to this office touching on the affairs of Wilberforce University is that the writer said, "I am not sending you this information for publication." Nor would we have said as much as we are now saying had it not been for the fact that the article referred to has been sent to other publications, and has been seen in print. The writer also says that "It appears that you are throwing the arm of protection about the people who seem to be responsible for this irregular state of affairs."

We do not get back from the charge although there is no special reason to make it. In the exposition number of this publication we did speak of the school with some warmth for several reasons. We know what it stands for as an educational institution, notwithstanding the reported slow growth. It, in a sense, was the cradle of the Negro race. At the very beginning of the race as an intellectual entity it was there, standing for the various freedoms heir to the human kind. Old John Brown tarried there awhile, adding deep import to the already seeming sanctuary. It took its name from an apostle of liberty. When the present and recent generations wore swaddling cloths the name Wilberforce had that effect on the educationally inclined that nations' standards have on the people in time of trouble. Young men and women of the great Middle West held it their souls' best ambition to enroll at that institution. It may be that its reputation ontran its usefulness or its merits, but that's another question.

We speak of the institution as it was presented to the minds of Negroes years ago. It was the fondest wish of careful parents to see their children at Wilberforce. Then those great gatherings, yearly, of the great A. M. E. church have furthered the status of the institution. The best prepared men of that church have one way or the other been associated with it. Such men as Bishops Payne, Arnett, Jones, Lee, were and are among the most forceful men that the race has produced. With all of this in its favor, it is no wonder that Wilberforce stands for so much, and because of which we would palsy the hand of the assegai.

We read with much regret the ugly charges. We have no reason to deny them. We know nothing of them; we do not feel it our duty to give further publicity to them. We think that the better thing was to have quietly set about to correct abuses or irregularities, rather than giving an expose, which could have but one result—impairment of the institution, regardless of the intent. This is from no partisan standpoint. We would take the same position concerning any of our valuable institutions, holding to the theory of reformation within rather than destruction from the outside under the guise of reformation.

Far too many of our race are beset with a sort of iconoclasm, which in its desperation strikes at ideals and idols regardless of their value. The intent in the instance may be to serve the institution. But it is to be doubted if such a method is the proper one to be pursued. We have no notion of trying to make white black. There are intermediate relationships that can accomplish as much and more than if we went at things hammer-and-tongs fashion.

We are in for the prosperity of Wilberforce and the rest of our institutions, great or small. They are not so many that we can spare one of them. Let us hope that the reforms, if necessary, will come about in a quiet way, void of the expose phase that would mean an interruption of growth, decreased respect, bringing about a decadence not only in this institution, but wherever Negro education is the theme.

A POSSESSION FOR SALE.

A dispatch this week from Copenhagen has it that the parliament of Denmark thinks seriously of offering the Danish West Indies to the United States for purchase. The recent strike of the Negroes in the islands is said to be the reason Denmark wishes to dispose of the possession. A publication from that country by Negroes reaches The Freeman office. If the industrial situation is correctly reported there is none worse in the world.

Negroes there are but little better off than slaves. In fact, not so well off. A few white men own the plantations, which afford the only kind of work for the Negro to do. Wages, something like twenty-five cents per day, make it impossible for the Negroes to sustain themselves, not to speak of caring for their families. The owners' store proposition of our southern states, which is so bitterly assailed, with the same wage opportunity, or share prospects, would be a god-send to the Danish West Indies Negroes.

The island proprietors, when in distress for Negro laborers, advertise in an attractive way, promising very much to have the laborers, who in many cases travel for many miles to find that it's a delusion and a snare. No promise is kept, consequently the Negroes find themselves being reduced when making some headway and held to a dead level of poverty when reduced. It's done with system. The Negroes cannot escape to this country or to other countries any more than if they were in prison. They absolutely have no money, no clothes on their back, no shoes on their feet.

The spirit of revolt has been brewing for a long time; it is not a strike in the accepted sense. The Negroes are being rubbed to their bare bones, and they've got to do something or die both spiritually and bodily.

The dispatch concludes as follows:

"M. Hageman, wealthiest planter in the islands, has published here a pamphlet on the situation from the point of view of the most influential Danish residents of the colony. M. Hageman favors the sale. He points out that the population is decreasing alarmingly. Infant mortality is very high, having recently reached 63½ per cent. The sanitary conditions in the islands are very bad.

"Some years ago a bill was presented to Congress asking an appropriation of $4,000,000 to buy the Danish West Indies, which were considered of both commercial and strategic value, especially with the completion of the Panama canal. The project fell through. In 1910 Denmark offered to sell the islands to the United States, but before the transaction could be closed the offer was withdrawn.

"The Danish archipelago includes the islands of St. Thomas, St. Croix and St. John. The islands lie to the east of the Panama canal."

It is doubtful if the United States cares for any more possessions. We have our Philippines, which we are forced to turn loose or stand charged with hypocrisy, deceit and repudiation. Some countries seem to thrive under such charges, but not so our country, where men, as a rule, put honor before the dollar. With honor gone, life is but a humdrum existence. Our high-minded countrymen know this, hence have determined that no breach of faith shall be permitted. No one takes kindly to the Philippines; a bastard possession that gets but half-hearted consideration. If it should care to be one of us it would not be the thing to turn it down. It has been promised freedom. If it wishes to go, it has the right, and it is our duty to let it go.

With the passing of those islands it is hardly likely that the country will care for further complications, consequently the Danish West Indies Negroes do not stand a fine show of being one of this sisterhood of communities. It is composed principally of Negroes, and the governments of recent years have not shown a fondness for taking on unassimilable peoples. They cannot be dealt with honestly or honorably, so the latter day tendency is to cut away from such bargains.

This country can be of vast help to the Negro Danes, for they are practically nihil in all respects. Perhaps they would come to us with open arms, preferring our plenty in material things, even if restricted in some things, civilly, and for the most part things for which they have no use as a growing people.

What the government at Washington may do is unknown to us. We think the Negroes of the country would appreciate the change of the islanders greatly if they could know their present true condition. Whatever may befall them in the change will not cause them to be in a different relation to the country than the Negroes of this country are to the general nation. And, viewing things rightly, we have reason to be thankful without modification for what we are and can be in God's own United States of America.

KENTUCKY'S BLUE GRASS CAPITAL.

Knights of Pythias Grand Chancellorship, Sir Knight L. R. Diggs' Platform—People Ask Emancipation Committee to make report of their money—Son of the Deceased Educator Here—Frankfort Party the Guest of Mrs. Affie Jones—Calico Ball at Jackson Hall, March 3.

(By Hardin Tolbert, at People's Pharmacy, 118 N. Broadway.)

LEXINGTON, Ky.—(Special)—Who shall it be! Knights of Pythias Chancellorship of Kentucky? Whoever that can line up the most trenches, boys, is the man. Out of the six candidates in the field only one candidate has a platform. The line-up in the race is as follows: Attorney A. J. White, of Richmond; Prof. J. B. Caulder, of Lexington; Attorney W. H. Wright, of Louisville; Mr. J. V. L. Washington, of Louisville, and Mr. George H. Minnis, of Lexington. Lawyer L. R. Diggs, in his announcement, states what he stands for as follows: "The fulfillment of every obligation growing out of the construction of our Temple, without unnecessary burden upon the local lodges and without decreasing our membership. Safeguarding and protecting our endowment for the benefit of the widows and orphans. The encouragement of subordinate lodges in acquiring property in their respective communities, and increasing their membership. The maintenance of and assistance to the Uniform Rank department, which is the flower and glory of the order. Finally, I stand, unreservedly, for the 'Boys in the trenches,' upon whose shoulders the order must rest; and for the principles that Grand Lodge officers are the servant, and not the masters of the Pythians of Kentucky!" We hope that every Sir Knight that is in the race for the chancellorship will announce his platform and let the people know whether he is for the interests of the people or the "Baby Chancellor of the Bosses;" whether you are for the "Trench Boys" or consult the "bosses" before acting on all matters. The people want to know how you stand!

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What is the aim of the emancipation committee? No financial report has been made of their money.

There is a committee here known as the Emancipation Committee. Once each year they have a celebration. They collect money throughout the year for this occasion. Almost two months ago the emancipation celebration was held, and to date no financial report has been made of the people's money. Why not the outgoing committee make a report of the money? Why not the committee, before resuming their duties, see that the other committee record was clear? This committee was first started to give a celebration once a year, and now they have gone into politics. From a statement of President Keene Hayes, this committee has indorsed Senator R. F. Bell for the colored policeman. The aim of the There is no such organization here as Booster Club is to boost Negro business. the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. We wish there was, as it is as much needed as a Y. M. C. A. It is hoped that the leaders will get together and make some sacrifice for the young.

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Hon. J. C. Jackson entertained Prof. E. D. Washington, the son of the late educator.

Hon. J. C. Jackson, a prominent business, fraternal and political leader, and his wife, Mrs. E. B. Jackson, former president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, founder of the orphan home, whose beautiful residence is on East Short street, where the famous deceased educator, Dr. B. T. Washington, was entertained, and at the same residence the son, Prof. E. D. Washington, was entertained. He has been on a tour soliciting funds for the institution, starting out Monday after the burial of his father. He was escorted throughout the city and made acquainted with the business and professional men of both races by Mr. Samuel E. Johnson, the popular tonsorial artist. Mr. Johnson lost no time, and was a credit to Mr. Washington and himself. An exquisite dinner was given in Kentuckian's true hospitable style. The bewitching fragrant perfume of the flowers on the dinner table was expressly welcome on the dinner table. A five-course menu was served, the guests including Prof. E. D. Washington, Rev. J. B. Pearson, Mrs. Rosa Brown and Hardin Tolbert. Every one was much elated over the service.

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Mr. Fred A. Payne's Defense of Mr. Robert H. Hogans.

Mr. Fred A. Payne , foreman at the Lexington News office, and former editor of the Owensboro Record, in defense of Mr. Hogans, as he saw it, dealing with the Bible 1,600 years ago, tried to draw a picture of Hardin Tolbert, correspondent of The Freeman. Mr. Hogan is a first-class bricklayer. He bobbed up a few weeks ago with a long editorial in the Lexington Weekly News, theme, "Where Shall It Stop?" He fell into deep water when he began to talk about lynching, segregation and Jim Crowism, and was lost in high sea, and called on other people to help him to the shore of safety. We would like to know whether Mr. Fred A. Payne indorses lynching, segregation and Jim Crowism? Let the public know. Mr. Hogans said to the writer, Sunday, the reason the Y. M. C. A. died, the colored people who were able to give would not contribute as freely as Mr. Dix (white), secretary of the State Y. M. C. A. movement, and would not put any money up until they saw a spirit of willingness among the colored people.

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Mesdames Craig, Polk, Slaughters and Jones Gave a Swell Midwinter Social.

The midwinter social was given at the cosy home of Mrs. Abbie Jones on East Third street. This was one of the swell functions among the elite social set. Mrs. George P. Craig, Mesdames J. K. Polk, George Slaughters and Abbie Jones were the hostesses. The guests from out of town consisted of Mrs. Sarah Underwood, chaperon, of Frankfort, with Misses Selena Mayo, Katie Willis, Louise Reid, Margretta Graves, Charity A. Boyd, Frances Robinson, Warbnetta Robinson, Lettie Todd, Helen Lowe, Mrs. Holmes, Messrs. Julia Sayre, Leslie Smtih, L. H. Smith, Major Morton, Robert Hall, Dr. Thaddeus A. Jones. The home guests were Mrs. J. B. Caulder, Mrs. T. T. Wendell, Dr. G. P. Craig, J. K. Polk, John (Pat) McCann and W. P. Johnson. Your correspondent appreciated the invitation extended by Mrs. Jones, but on account of other engagements could not be present. A six-course menu was served in a typical, up-to-date style. The party colors consisted of pink and white.

Calico Ball at Jackson Hall March 3—Goodwin's Saxaphone Orchestra to Play.

The last ball at Jackson Hall was the assembly ball. This is conceded to be the largest gathering place in the city for social functions. The well-known and popular young men, Messrs. Kelly Robinson and James Smith, will launch the largest function since the assembly ball, Christmas. This will be known as a calico ball. The ladies will wear calico dresses and the gentlemen calico vests and ties. Goodwin's Saxaphone Orchestra will furnish the music. Visitors from Richmond, Paris, Mt. Sterling, Midway, Frankfort, Versailles and Danville will be present to participate in the social.

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Rev. R. H. Hill Freed in Court Against a Faction in His Church.

Rev. R. H. Hill, the fearless pastor of the Liberty Baptist church on Goodloe street, was the big sensation at the court. He was under arrest by a faction in his church because he had said some offensive things in his pulpit about the corrupt morals in which his members were living. He insinuated upon some of the pastors of the larger churches, who were moral cowards, afraid to preach the "Billy Sunday" gospel against untruth. There could not be any case made out of the factional fight, and the fearless pastor is at his post of duty, fighting vice.

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Dr. W. T. Dunwittie was elected president and Dr. J. F. Laine secretary and treasurer of the local Blue Grass Medical Association.

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Mr. Emmett W. Johnson of Paris, a student at Clark university, died January 8 in his senior year. He was brought from the university by the superintendent to his home. He was the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. Young Mr. Emmett was loved by all who knew him best. He was a great loss to the community, and was a Christian young gentleman. He was a relative of Mrs. L. Bishop of this city.

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Various clubs and organizations are getting ready to fight "The Birth of the Nation" from showing here.

DALLAS, TEXAS, NEWS

Freeman Headquarters, 2922 Cochran Street, Phone Hackett 6956.—By Col. J. G. Griffin.

Wm. H. Hines entertained the Elite at the new Frazier hotel.

The G. L. Club installed and were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Jackson.

A Negro firm has been organized to loan money to buy homes and farms and for better housing of our folks.

A new job printing office is located at Ball and Central avenue.

The voters in Oak Cliff held a large meeting that will arouse more interest in the Negroes who are doing things. The June 19th celebration is in the limelight and the reporter of the Freeman hopes to see all the people churches, lodges, societies and clubs unite and celebrate as of yore. Let the people turn out and honor that day as it should be honored. We shall have more to say about this celebration later. So watch the Freeman.

Manager Jack Harris of the Grand Central and the Star is a big hearted man and will be rewarded some day for what he has done for the profession and the public.

The First Regiment K. of P. Band, Pride of West Com. No. 4, Oriental Com. No. 15 and the Lone Star Cadet Com. No. 1, all under the uniform rank of the Pythian Order of Texas, have held their elections and will hold a joint installation Sunday, February 20.

General John L. Jones, Chief of Staff J. M. Tolbert, Col. J. G. Griffin, Recorder Jim Price, Captain George Murray and Corporal Dave N. Norman, of Dallas, were the guests of Jewell Com. No. 5 and Panther City Band and other notable Pythians of Fort Worth, Texas.

Last Friday night a monster get-together meeting and dinner in the interests of the Department of Texas was held. The meeting was a great success and the music was excellent. The dinner was the best the culinary art could prepare and the decorations were grand, with lodge colors in abundance. Toasts were galore and a big time was had by all who attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Jackson, 3208 Thomas avenue, lavishly entertained the officers and members of the Golden Leaf Club to a stag supper with all the seasonable viands. Cut flowers and club colors made up the decorations.

At the Frazier Hotel parlors Monday night the Red Heart of Valentine social was the card that brought together a large gathering of the young social set, where Mr. Wm. H. Hines was the stellar light in the pleasure making. A jolly good time was had by all.

The Freeman correspondent is in receipt of an invitation announcing the first marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Richardson, to take place at their residence, 2926 Cochran street, Saturday, February 19, 1916. Reception begins at 8:30 o'clock.

We are authorized to announce that Mr. William Warren and Miss Gladys D. Walker, of Queen City, will be married at the bride's residence Saturday, February 26.

At the Grand Central Theater you will find something new in the way of movies every night in the week.

Don't fail to pay the High School Photo Play House a visit to see high-grade pictures. Every night something new and interesting.

At the Star you will find the boxers and battlers of the fistic art and high-grade pictures.

Mrs. Jane Moore, the mother of Mr. Wm. Moore, of this city, and Mr. Edward Moore, of Tulsa, Okla., was laid to rest the past week. They have the sympathy of their friends from various points.

Mr. Nathan Stephens, of this city, was called to the funeral of his father at Belleville, Texas, the past week.

Mr. Joe B. Norton and Mr. Clifford Forby left the metropolis the past week to join the J. C. O'Brien Minstrels. They told the Freeman man to say hello boys, and watch the Freeman for them weekly.

Mrs. Lillian Hawthorn is recovering.

Mrs. Chas Best is up and at home from Galveston.

Weights and Measure Inspector Flood shows that all short weighers he catches must dance to his music in the courts.

Gray and Gray's big novelty act is going big in southern Texas with Leonard's Amusement Co.

If some of the race will do more and talk less, bigger and better results will be crowned with success.

George Williams, the Frogtown sport promoter, can tell you where the Bald Pate is located.

See next week's issue. It will contain some sensational doings of Dallas folks. See it—read it.

Correspondence Wanted

with a gentleman, middle-aged man of culture and business reference, sober and of Christian habits; a banking reference, for matrimony. Must be as represented. Correspondence promptly answered; reference as asked will be given. Address care Freeman Headquarters, 2923 Cochran street, Dallas, Texas.

If you fail to get your Freeman on time, don't blow off at the mouth and say it's the fault of the agent, because he can not regulate the traffic of mail between Indianapolis and Dallas. Just use common sense and it will do more good. Thanks.

You can find the Freeman in its new home at the Richerson Cafe, 1800 Jackson street. Ask for it and you will get it while being served one of their famous home-cooked meals.

The remains of Mr. Mose Holley, a member of St. Luke K. of P. Lodge, was laid to rest last Sunday.

Mrs. Gertrude Patterson is up after a brief illness.

Ask Mr. Jake Jordon about that 400 pound hog he killed last week from his pen in Station A. Some hog and lard.

Hon. J. A. Jordan is back from a few months' recuperation trip looking good.

Mr. George A. Mayes was on the sick list a few days, but is now recovering.

Mrs. Joseph Martin, accompanied by her husband and son, has returned to Los Angeles, Cal., after a brief visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Poole, 109 Dixon street.

Tell your friends about the good reading that's in the Freeman every week and where they can get it—at Hooper's, Richerson's, and on the streets.

Mr. Dudley Whittaker, the veteran railroad man, was here to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law the past week.

We are very thankful for the courtesy of some unknown person in New York for the New York News sent to us each week. It is running over with items of interest for the race. May it live long.

Editor W. E. King has made several speaking dates over the state of late and reports business progressing everywhere.

New Freeman readers are helping it to continue to come to Dallas the year round are: Mr. Cicero Cook, Madam T. J. Bruton, Mr. Marshall Bolt, Mr. Robert Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Benson, Mr. B. T. Tyler, Mrs. Minnie Tally, Mr J. C. Jordon, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Boswell, Mr. Anthony Hardin, Mr. Leonard Kyles, Mr. F. K. Kichey, Mrs. Mattie Linley, Mr. A. Alexander. Let others do likewise and help to increase the number of Freemans for Dallas and vicinity.

Every now and then we run across some one who must possess animal nature by saying when they are asked to subscribe or buy, "I can't eat it." Mr. Clabe Cowan, the veteran barber, keeps it in his shop to settle all disputes. He said the Freeman is filling a long-felt need among the race in every walk.

Mrs. St. Clair Bratherington, of Louisville, spent several days here visiting among her friends.

Miss Bulah Reed, of this city, visited among her relatives and friends in Cleburne last Sunday.

The Golden Leaf Club held installation of officers at Kirk Jackson's, 3208 Thomas avenue, Wednesday, Feb. 9: William E. Whitlow, president; Allen White, vice president; Albert V. Payne, financial secretary; Reuben Richardson, recording secretary; Simon Hill, assistant secretary; Chas. A. Plicque, sportsman; W. A. Laffington, treasurer; William Mansfield, sergeant-at-arms; Kirk Jackson, reporter; Neil White, Walter Jackson, Eugene Johnson, Norman Polk, J. D. Baker, James Thompson, Wylie Cole, Ernest Jackson and Robert Brookins attended.

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IN MEMORY OF SIR J. C. DRAKE.

Brother Pastors, Gallant Sir Knights and Honored Ladies:

It is my sad duty at this moment to talk to you of the honored dead, as a grand officer of the noble jurisdiction of honored Knights of Pythias of the State of Arkansas, and as a member of our Supreme Lodge, whose jurisdiction is the entire world.

Sir J. C. Duke entered into the ranks of our noble order sometime during the year 1897. Here, as elsewhere, he displayed his gift for leadership and it was not many years before instead of being merely a member of the lodge of his choice, he, setting his mark high, was made the Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of the State of Arkansas. In the year 1903 this great honor came to him and for several years he wielded the gavel of Grand Chancellor with honor to himself and the brotherhood. During his administration he proved himself in every way capable of leading the host of Pythians on to victory. To him is due the credit of the wonderful increase in the number of Pythians in the state. He organized more than one hundred lodges during his years of service. Each of these lodges stand today as living monuments to his credit.

While Sir Duke held no position as a Supreme officer in our Supreme Lodge, he had the honor of being a Supreme Representative and to his credit be it said he filled the position of Supreme Representative with the same grace and dignity as he did the office of Grand Chancellor. He became a prominent figure on the floors of our Supreme Lodge and by his wisdom originated many measures which redounded to the good of our noble order.

Sir Knights and Honored Ladies, we can not but mourn his loss, the loss of a noble knight, yet let us with humility surrender him to the great and glorious Supreme Chancellor of the Universe, who alone knoweth and doeth all things well. Let us not for one moment forget the duty we owe him, even though the temple which held his noble soul may decay in the bosom of old mother earth. Let us in love and tenderness administer to the loved ones whom he has left with us. Let us cheer and comfort them and in every way prove ourselves to be knights in deed and in truth.—By John H. Young, Supreme Master of Exchequer, Pine Bluff, Ark.

DELTA METROPOLIS.

(By Lee A. Motley, Jr.)

GREENWOOD, Miss.—Social given at the parlors of Wigley's of Fulton street for the benefit of McKenney Chapel, Monday night, February 14, was a success.

We were very much shocked to hear of the death of Bobby F. Seal. He was once manager of the Bijou theater of this place, and was liked by both white and colored people.

Mr. Grant Park, who runs a tailor shop on Carrollton avenue, was seen dodging a lady with a list for the church. I don't why he did that, as he is certainly a hustling young man.

The boys have been teasing Mr. Norton Taylor, the pharmacist at Williamson's drug store, 503 Main street, about his girl, who is in Arkansas in high water. He is the first to get the paper every morning.

On my way through the city I met Mr. George Harris, the secretary of the Big Six orchestra. He and I had a brief conversation over their trip to the Mardi Gras at New Orleans, La. They are planning a long trip.

Every time I see a subscriber they tells me of someone that's crazy for The Freeman.

Mr. Ivy Brownlee, formerly the head draper at the Jul. H. Brod Tailoring Co., has been laid up with a bad toe for two or three days. He says The Freeman was all the company he had.

He has a shop of his own now in the rear of Main street.

Mr. Newman Bell and Mr. Percy Hambrough went on a hunt Monday, February 14. They brought back two turkeys, but I don't care whether they were wild or not.

GULF PORT, MISS.

The Ladies' Auxiliary No. 1 to the trustee board of St. Paul's A. M. E. church again met at the home of our charming hostess, Mrs. Addie Ely and under the able guidance of that charming lady, Mrs. McGoogan, their president, the meeting was very interesting. Many important subjects were discussed. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Wallace Jones was present and made some very instructive and encouraging remarks, after which refreshments were served and the meeting adjourned to meet at the home of the president. The ladies all retired expressing delight for having attended the meeting.

At her home, the end of Twenty-fifth avenue car line, Mrs. Louvina McAlister entertained a whist party Friday evening in honor of Mr. Henry Lewis and Mr. Ned Duncan, of Mobile, Ala., and Mr. Alex Street of Pass Christian, Miss. Pink and green were the color scheme. Mrs. McAlister, the charming hostess, was beautifully gowned in black messaleine, received the guests very gracefully. After the games a salad course was served in the spacious dining room which was artistically arranged with pink carnations and ferns. Miss Cora Lane served punch, gowned in a black crepe de chine dress. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Jackson, Miss Emma McBride, Miss Carrie Johnson, Miss Minnie Ritley, Miss Mary Moore, Mrs. L. Sykes, Messrs. Phil Blackshire, Reese Moore, E. L. Compton, Fred Jackson and the honored guests, Messrs. Henry G. Lewis, Ned Duncan and Alex Streets.

The many friends of Mr. Newton Bryant are glad to see him out again after his serious illness.

Among the many socials being given one that will long linger in our memory was the Dinner Dance given by the Lynnhurst club at the residence of Mrs. A. E. Taylor and of which Messrs. John S. Elam and Chas. B. Newton were very instrumental in its success. The parlor and dining room were beautifully decorated with the colors of the club, green and gold. Mrs. A. E. Taylor assisted by her lovely sister, Mrs. W. C. Fairley, received the guests. Several selections were rendered on the piano and dancing was indulged in to the pleasure of the guests. Mrs. Dr. Taylor served punch. Among the out-of-town guests were Miss Ruth Stewart and Miss Mary Beldon, of Pass Christian; Miss Rosa Belle Ford and Mrs. Blanche Carter, of Ocean Springs; Mrs. A. Jones, of Biloxi; Mrs. W. C. Fairley, of New Orleans, and Miss Willie Mae Picket, of Chicago. One of the unique features of the dance was a 200 pound block of ice in which several kinds of fruit were frozen which was very much admired by the guests. We trust that the Lynnhurst will again treat us to another dance, as we don't think we would ever get tired of attending.

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HAMILTON, O., NEWS.

By Herbert Parks.

Payne Chapel choir met at Mrs. Charles Conway's Monday night. -- Mrs. Mosby, of Cincinnati, was the guest of Mrs. Alfred, Sunday. -- B. W. Tyree spent Sunday here. -- Mrs. Gertrude Chandler spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Cincinnati. -- The entertainment given by the Juvenile Missionary girls was a success. -- Mrs. B. W. Maxwell spent Friday in Cincinnati. -- Mrs. Lewis, of Louisville, Ky., is visiting Mrs. Dyson, of the city. -- Stanley Maxwell, of Middletown, was visiting in this city Thursday. -- Mrs. Emma Clark, who has been visiting her parents for some time, has returned home. -- Mrs. George Allread was called to the bedside of her father, who is very ill at Yellow Springs, O. -- Mrs. Viola Berry has a very bad case of measles.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

(By Z. L. Breedlove.)

Mrs. Anna Merrill entertained about fifteen at a birthday party given in honor of her daughter, Lucile, February 31, which was her seventeenth birthday. She received a number of presents. Dancing was among the main features. A two-course luncheon was served. Every one enjoyed themselves in the superlative degree.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Mary Tolliver, inviting friends to witness the marriage of her daughter, Miss Marie Novel, to Mr. Roscoe J. Cokiegee of this city. The event is to take place Wednesday, March 1, at 2 p. m., at 204 West Maple street.

Mrs. L. A. Riley gave a surprise party on her adopted daughter's sixteenth birthday Saturday, February 19. Campfire girls and high school students attended.

Mrs. L. B. Jones has returned home after a two weeks' visit to her home in Whoopston, Ill.

Seventy-five couples attended the dance given by Brewer's Band at the Elk Auditorium, Thursday, February 17. Miss Beatrice Irving won the bracelet watch given away that night at the dance by the band. The band realized a neat sum of money from the affair. The band wishes to thank every one for their loyal support.

PENSACOLA, FLA.

(By Walker W. Thomas.)

The voting for the most popular lady for queen of the carnival ball, given by the Young Men's Progressive Association, March 6 and 7, seems to increase every week. Miss Normal Townsend seems to be in the lead this week, with Miss Rosa Streety running in second place. The contest will come to a close on February 29, at the K. of P. Hall, where a grand reception will be held in honor of the candidates. All votes must be cast before 12 o'clock that night, when it will be announced who will be the winner of one of the most interesting contests that has ever been held in this city.

Pensacola is now having some spring weather. Many are glad to have such weather of this kind. Many fruit trees are in full bloom.

Mrs. Clarence Allen died last week at her home on West Gregory street, after a few weeks' illness.

Miss Willeva Hillard and Mr. Vincent Ross were married last Thursday night at the home of the bride's parents on West Belmont street. They received many wishes for a long and happy wedded life from their many friends. After the ceremony, a grand reception was held at the K. of P. Hall, where a large number of friends was present. The Collins Orchestra furnished the music for the occasion.

Mr. Simon McKee returned to the city last week from Snow Hill, Ala., on account of the illness of his mother. Her many friends will be glad to learn of her speedy recovery.

The Eureka Social Club will entertain on Friday evening, February 29, at the K. of P. Hall with a black and white ball. The prevailing colors and costumes will be black and white. Half masks will be worn only. This being one of the first entertainments of this kind given by a social club in this city, is expected that a large number of the society people will be present. Collins Orchestra will furnish the dance music, while Georgia punch will be served during intermission.

Mr. William Simmons died last week, after several weeks of illness. Mr. Simmons was well known in this city, where his funeral was held on last Sunday at Big Zion church. A large number of friends was in attendance. Interment was made in Big Zion cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thomas and family are now keeping house on West Belmont street, where they will be glad to see their many friends.

Mr. Carl Ivory and Miss Julia M. Gibbs were quietly married at the Big parsonage, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. H. Hall, pastor of Big church. They have the best wishes for a long and happy wedded life from their many friends.

Mr. C. M. White, supreme commander of the American Woodmen, and private secretary, Mr. Dove of Denver, Colo., were in the city last week on business connected with the local branch of the Woodmen.

Mrs. James Goldstucker has been on the sick list for the past few weeks at her home on North Baylen street. Her mother, Mrs. Sallie Heiner, of Mobile, Ala., is with her. A speedy recovery is hoped for by her many friends.

Report all news of interest to Walker W. Thomas, No. 428 North DeVilliers street, Pensacola, Fla.

HUMBOLDT, TENN.

The tenth grade boys of the public school are studying the subject of agriculture.

The entertainment given at the public school on last Monday in honor of the domestic science class was quite enjoyable. A large crowd attended. The fish pond conducted by Miss Estizer Watson and Miss Foye Epps raised a large sum. Also the one conducted by Miss A. T. Davis and Miss Aldria Ward. The chairman of the banana stand was Miss Hallie Q. Lowery, assisted by Misses Nannie Jones and Flossie Williams. The chairman of the soda water stand was Miss Lizzie M. Jones, with the aid of Miss Pauline Leona Hegmon. The chairman of the candies and cakes was Miss Viola Hegmon and her assistants were the Misses Katie B. Parks and Wilma Greer. The chairman of the popcorn stand was Miss Odie Bee Combee, with the assistance of Misses Hattie E. Bryson and Bertha F. Shepherd.

The chairman of the peanut was Miss Ora V. Ragans, with the aid of Misses Edna Williams and Gladys Critchlow. The chairman of the apples was Miss Carrie B. Davis, with the aid of Miss Lessie Greer. The postoffice was managed by Misses Hattie L. Pierce, Eula M. Sharp, Arneta Williams and Gladys Johnson. All reported a delightful sum. Everyone that was present enjoyed themselves to the highest.

Misses Pearlie Harmon and Nadine Rivers were quite popular on St. Valentine's night.

Mr. R. E. Talley and M. A. E. Glenn from Jackson, Tenn., were the company of Misses Bertha F. Shepherd and Hattie E. Bryson on St. Valentine's night. The girls and boys that were present at the entertainment on St. Valentine's night from Salem were as follows: Miss Annie B. Davis, Mrs. Martha Davis and Master Tee Skinner, Alonzo Booth, Rozzie Skinner and DeWitt Burrow.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

The Misses Florence and Mabel Smith, of Struthers, received a number of friends at a Valentine party at their home on Stewart street, on Monday evening. The house was beautifully decorated in Valentine appointments. The early evening was spent in contests, in which Miss Sadie Fletcher won the prize. Following, music and cards were diversions of the evening until a delicious luncheon was enjoyed by all. Those present were the Misses Thelma Washington, Carrie Moran, Sadie Fletcher, Bessie Fletcher, of Lisbon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Smith, Messrs. David Cox, Jimmie Grashen, Archie Riley and Kyle Washington.

NOTES OF TROY, ALA.

(By Silas C. Elliott.)

Troy is a very busy little city nowadays. There was a valentine party Monday night at the city school for the benefit of new building, and a delightful time was had by all who attended. We are to have colored drug store in a few weeks, something greatly needed in Troy, as Troy already boasts of two very skillful physicians, Drs. Annis and Brewer. We will hear more about them later.

Prof. Silas C. Elliott, who has been ill with blood poison in his right hand, having fully recovered, wishes to thank his many friends for the letters of sympathy received and wishes for a speedy recovery. Prof. Elliott and his band will be heard with metropolitan shows this season, featuring three soloists. If you read the Freeman you will learn more of us.

ALEX TOLLIVER'S BIG SHOW.

(By Al Wells.)

Week of 21st found us still in rehearsal, with everything getting into shipshape. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kewley have arrived and they take hold just like two veterans. The band and orchestra are cleaning up with all the numbers. Monday night, the 14th, the entire company was invited to a ball at Economy Hall, and we all had a pleasant time. On the 28th we are all invited to attend a grand reception given in honor of the company at the North Side Arena Hall. On March 4 we are all invited to attend a grand reception at Economy Hall given by Orleans Pleasure Club. Another on March 7, Mardi Gras night, at Arena Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. William Davis of Pensacola, mother of Mrs. Susie Edwards, is paying her daughter a visit and will stay until after the show opens. We are all anxiously awaiting the opening of the big show, and with the big crew of men that Tolliver has got working it is being completed very fast. Everybody is well and doing fine except Arthur Williams, who has been on the sick list for a couple of weeks, and we all wish him a speedy recovery. Regards to all friends, in and out.

For mail, address Box 568.

VANDETTE THEATRE, DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

Hello Woodie. We are on our fourth week here at the Vaudette, putting on stock for the last three and a roaring hit, changing twice a week. Here two weeks now, ending March 4. Joe Simms is also on the bill, going big, single; will be joined by his partner, Duglas, next week here. We have in our cast Ella Jones, Hellaria Pierre, Laura Smith, Will Boswick, Douryea and Kelly & Davis. Some cast and some show. E. B. Dudley is again in charge of the house and business is fine, so everybody smiles with Dudley. Here is one more piece of my junk on a separate slip. Give Jimmie Nick my regards. Would like to hear from Mabel DeHearde. Address Freeman. Regards to everyone in the office.

"A GOOD TIME."

(By Amon Davis.)

You ask us why we play small time
When big time is the best;
You say we used to play for Keith
And go big with the rest.
It's all right when you play big time
And working steady, too,
And money's coming in so fast
You don't care what you do.
But if you don't work every week
And lay off two or three,
Then it's better to be a big fish in a pond
Than a minnow in the sea.

STAGE NOTES.

Nina Mitchell at the Dannick Theater, Indianapolis, this week.

It is said that Maurice F. White will manage the Pioneer Theater.

Merle and Jeanette Bradford at the Academy Theater, Pittsburgh, week of 21st.

Clifford Ross in Indianapolis, dividing his time between various playhouses.

Bashadeen Johnson of Carbondale, Ill., sends hello to Sadie Beadles of Mayfield.

Russell and Gadsen, Sam and Happy, going big at the Queen Theater, Anniston, Ala.

R. L. Lovelace wants you to join at once. Will send ticket, also Dewayman Nites. C. L. Erickson.

Charley Rue, the bass drummer, who wrote McCammon, write C. L. Erickson, Hot Springs, Ark., at once.

The Virginia Minstrels can use a few more musicians, especially those that double stage. Alto, clarinet and cornet player, write.

Miss Neal Hill and Miss Lena Hopson, of New York City, also Mrs. Sanata Dangerfield, of Cleveland, O., were in Indianapolis last week with Zeigfeld Follies.

Seymour and Mary are in their second week at the new Champion Theater, Ensley, Ala. They open at the new Queen Theater, Birmingham, the week of 28th. Regards to all.

Leon, the Magician, is still in the State of Alabama, doing fine. Will be in New Orleans for Mardi Gras. Regards to all friends. Address Leon R. Long, general delivery, Mobile, Ala.

Theresa Burroughs-Brooks in Chicago, getting the fine praise she deserves. The little lady is having offers for stock and vaudeville. She will make up her mind in the near future as to what she will do.

Berry and Washington, after several weeks in and around Petersburg, Va., are now playing Queen Theater, Birmingham, Ala., with Ensley, Ala., Bessemer, Ala., and Anniston, Ala., to follow. Management Mr. J. L. Savage.

The one Ed F. Peat is now working single. Will play the Lincoln Theater, New York City, February 24 to March 1, one week. Would like to hear from Gertrude Strubbin or Ray Walburg at once. Business. Quick. Write me 520 N Second street, Richmond, Va.

Chadwick & Taylor going very big in the South. This is the best prediction that western and eastern acts can make good there. They were held over two weeks in Danville, Va. Now playing Boston theater, Roanoke, Va. Soon coming west. Opening in Chicago.

Frank Jap, reed melophone player, interlocutor, versatile straight and general announcer, is now in Florida, en route with Prof. Eph Williams' "Silas Green" company. He sends regards to all friends. He would like to hear from Dan Perkins and Jasper Taylor. Write care The Freeman.

Syd. H. Carter, manager Pizaro medicine show, accompanied by his wife, will arrive from Los Angeles, Cal., where they have been spending the winter, about March 1st. The eastern office of the Pizaro medicine is at 1613 Central avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. He would be pleased to hear from friends.

PITTSBURG, PA.

Mule and Jeanette Bradford Hit of a Burlesque Show.

"The sporting Widows," a burlesque show, has 45 people, mostly girls, and using Mule Bradford (Jacksonville Rounders' Dance) to close the show and one of the hits of the show. Mlle. Deora is featuring Mule's "Walk the Dog with Me." It seems after everything has been done there's nothing left for Mule and Jeanette to do but they closed the olio and left them begging for more. Mule has a new one just out called "All the Time." Will be published soon.

Regards to Slaughter, Billy Lewis, and all friends. Say, Woody, I seen Tim in Philadelphia and he was a riot. Will be over soon and we will have a quiet gin together.

PITTSBURG SHOW NOTES.

(By the Mule.)

The Star theater, Jakie Hellens, manager, is having people standing in the car tracks waiting. Why? Because he puts the show on. Ed Winn's "Cherry Blossoms" is the big noise this week.

Lincoln theater, East Liberty, is doing great. Motley & Pearl is a sister act and will be heard from soon. They are going big at the above house.

I noticed an article by Lew Henry in last week's issue of the Freeman. Well, Lew, certainly did tell the truth for I wrote a closing song ("How in the World You Figure I Miss You"). I heard an act was using it, so I went to Klein and asked him not to let this act use it and he refused to stop the act from using same. J. T. Gibson stopped another copyright number—Sec. B., 521346—so if any one caught using this song will be prosecuted. There is no one imitating me, so don't pull that stuff.

Mr. Elwood Knox, of the Freeman, knows this is my song and Salem Tutt Whitney, star of the Smart Set, saw me use it and S. H. Dudley said it was the greatest closing song he had seen in many months, so quit trying to do me. Will you? You know who I mean.

Drake Walker left Sunday for Philadelphia. His company made a big hit here.

Puggsley, the musical director, is a wizard for teaching harmony and will be heard from in the big city soon.

Miss Jessie Burney is featuring Mule Bradford's "Lonesome Blues" and it's a hit.

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THE PASSING SHOW IN WASHINGTON.

(By R. W. Thompson.)

The Fisk Jubilee Singers are coming.

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S. H. Dudley is headed for his Washington home, after a phenomenal tour of the Pacific Coast and the entire West.

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The Four Rexes have a fine musical act on at the Howard this week, handling the hand-bells and chimes to marked advantage.

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Mme. E. Azalia Hackley gives a mammoth "Folk-Song Festival" at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church next Tuesday evening.

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Word comes that Mme. Anita Patti Brown, the Chicago coloratura soprano, has reached Rio Janeiro Brazil, after a long but pleasant sail from British Guiana.

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J. Leubrie Hill's "Darktown Follies of 1916," in the new skit "Here and There," which has made such a hit at the Lafayette in New York City, is underlined for the Howard next month.

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John W. Cooper, the old reliable ventriloquist, had an unusually lively time at Dudley's last week in his mimic barber shop with the four dummies, which he seems to imbue with real life.

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The Kemps had a classy act recently at the Howard. Mrs. Kemp's "Disposition" was all right and Bobby's invitation to come and see him at "Louisville" will be accepted at the first convenient opportunity. Mrs. Kemp's gowns made all feminity flutter.

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Misses Effie King and Lottie Gee have joined hands again and will soon be seen here in a new singing and dancing act. They are in New York at present getting their costumes together and rehearsing their new work. The King and Gee combination is one of the best the country has seen in vaudeville and Washington's amusement lovers rejoice to know that they are "coming back."

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Harry Brown, the Indian cartoonist, with his lightning-like crayon, delighted the audiences at the Howard last week. Prof. Wood's marvelous dogs and Reese Dupree, assisted by Michael Jackson, high-class entertainers, rounded out an enjoyable bill. "Texico," an oriental dancer, opened Monday night, but as the local statutes interfered with the style of evolutions that she usually put over, she appeared to a disadvantage and was "canned."

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"The Battle Cry of Peace," a convincing argument for American "preparedness against war," is drawing great crowds at the Howard. The hearty applause brought out when patriotic appeals to the American spirit are made indicates that the heart of the Negro is in the right place, as regards his love for his native land. The black man is for "peace with honor," and if necessary is willing to defend the stars and stripes at the mouth of cannon.

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Manager A. J. Thomas hopes to be able to open his Philadelphia house, the Olympia, about the first week in March. There is a hitch, it appears, over the matter of introducing vaudeville into a theater heretofore used as a picture house and for assembly purposes. The high type of vaudeville Manager Thomas plans to use will not be offensive to the most fastidious people and the Philadelphia firm is about to agree with the Washington man's view of the situation.

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Sandy and Gretchen Burns, those clever actors and singers, are at the Blue Mouse this week, doing an act for the first half never before seen in Washington. This is a clever pair and they get big results because they study and are always doing stunts that no one else has thought of doing in just that way. They are both intelligent and read the papers, thus keeping up-to-date as to what is going on in the world with which they must deal. The Burns' are real artists, and as we have said on other occasions, are genuine "box-office attractions."

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Miss Gonzelle White is stronger as a comedienne than many have been giving her credit for being. Her "Blues" last week at Dudley's (her own original composition), were a scream and the winsomely-gowned artist was compelled to respond to encore after encore nightly. Jack Wiggins' "Alabama Dream" and other dandy offerings went as big as of yore and his dancing was a wonder. Wiggins and White in sketch work, singing and dancing "team up" finely and they should stick together permanently. They are admirably balanced, and they "look good" in their up-to-the-minute togs, as well as giving a gilt-edged act.

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The local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to put on the race problem play, "Rachel," at the Myrtilla Miner Normal School, March 3 and 4. The leading role is to be taken by Miss Rachel E. Guy, and the stage management will be in the capable hands of Mr. Nathaniel Guy. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. Laura B. Glenn, chairman; Mrs. A. J. Cooper, Mrs. Carrie W. Clifford, J. Montgomery Gregory, Miss Gregoria Fraser, Mrs. Clara Burrill Bruce and Prof. E. C. Williams. "Rachel" is from the pen of Miss Angelina Grimke, daughter of the Hon. A. H. Grimke, and is said to be the first attempt to use the stage for race propaganda—from the Negro's side, at least.

Owsley and Kirkpatrick returned to the Howard this week with a side-splitting act entitled "Politics," and kept the house in a constant roar of laughter. The piece is especially timely just now when the District is seething with politics, four tickets being in the field for delegates to the republican national convention. The lines of the Owsley-Kirkpatrick team are bright and full of rich humor, and the rapid-fire talk between the ward boss and the shrewd colored politician furnishes a vehicle for innumerable quips at the political game in general, with some happy local references on the side. The Hogan-Williston ticket got the "hand," which is significant of the state of local feeling as to the candidates. The singing of Kirkpatrick established him as a "matinee idol" with the fair patrons of the Howard, and Owsley's quaint comedy in imitation of his partner's ballad on "sweethearts," was put over in a taking fashion. This team is a great go in the East, where it is now making its initial bow. Owsley was for a long time manager of the Crown Garden at Indianapolis, Ind., and Kirkpatrick is one of the best-known of the high-class entertainers of the Middle West.

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Billy King's Dramatic Company opened at the Howard Monday night in the sterling melodrama "His Last Sin," and leaped at once into the favor of one of the most brilliant audiences that has ever gathered at this "playhouse beautiful." The play is put on in thoroughly legitimate lines and the acting was superb in all respects. Billy King carries the comedy part in his inimitable way and added a host of friends to his already long list here. Miss Hattie McIntosh did a fine piece of acting as the wronged woman, "Belle," and Howard Kelly as the villain, "Frank Clayton," alias "Willard," scored heavily. Charles Moore, William Walker, Miss Gertrude Saunders, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Overstreet and others of the cast had roles that fitted them like gloves. The tense scenes were enacted with the skill of Broadway emotionalists and the company held the rapt attention of the monster audience every minute they were on the stage. Billy King's triumph is all the sweeter in view of the untoward start his aggregation made on the occasion of their first visit here some months ago. In all probability the King company will hold the boards indefinitely at the Howard, as they have an immense repertoire of dramatic and musical productions.

J. C. MILLS AND WIFE AT HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

We are now located at Hot Springs, having baths and preparing for the opening of our season with Cole Bros.' circus, which opens here March 29. On our way here we stopped over at Memphis, Tenn., where we enjoyed an exceedingly nice time at the residence of my friend Mr. William (Tuba) Thomas. Here we managed to assemble a number of my professional friends. Among them were Mr. William (King) Phillips, composer and writer of the famous Florida Blues; Mr. Jasper Taylor, Mr. Walter Lee, Mr. Thomas himself and several other prominent musicians and performers were present. A proficient pianist was also on hand in the person of Mr. Buddy Gilmore, who more than entertained during our hours of pleasure. A swell luncheon was gotten out by the Madam and Mr. Thomas, which, of course, was a feature number on our bill. We also took in several shows while in the city, and must speak well for Porter and Porter, who were at the Metropolitan, as they seemed to be favorites, judging from the applause they received. Furthermore, I am a fair judge myself. I also visited the music publishing establishment of Pace & Hendy. Here you will find quite a staff of musical employes, who, together with Messrs. Pace and Hendy, extend a cordial welcome to all professional folk at all times. With a tremendous stock of music to select from, I succeeded in securing quite a few copies. Among them were "Joe Turner Blues," one of Mr. Hendy's latest numbers. Here's another "whang" for you blue lovers. Oh, yes, several members of both companies of the Alabama and Virginia Minstrels are here at Hot Springs, playing permanent stock, doing capacity and turn aways and two performances nightly. A twelve-piece band under the direction of Prof. Jeff Smith furnishes concerts in front every evening. Some band, some show! With best wishes to my Memphis friends, also the entire profession, I am yours truly, J. C. Miles, 125 Water street, Hot Springs.

P. S.—Take a little tip from me: Watch the "Freeman."

NOTES FROM ROBINSON'S OLD KENTUCKY MINSTRELS.

(By Dennis West.)

Our third week in Louisiana proved a profitable one to the management. Played Baton Rouge, Lake Charles, bedamfino and Kinder, La., to capacity business. The Grand Theater at Baton Rouge and the Arcade Theater at Lake Charles, La., were turn aways and all of the opera house managers pronounced the performance the best of its kind that has played there for several years, and Prof. Booker and his band of solo musicians are given credit for having the best band that has visited the above towns for some time, featuring all-round opera selections as well as the popular airs that the people like to hear.

Prof. Booker would like to hear from Ralph Redmond, June Lathou, Joe Woods, W. H. Fitzguild. Write as per route. Something nice for you very soon. Prof. Booker sends best regards to the musicians of his home town and family.

Mr. A. L. Simmons would like to hear from Mr. Lovell Williams. Write him. Mr. John Moody sends best regards to Pop Adams and friends around St. Louis.

Little Hazel Edwards would like to hear from Vivian Wright, care The Freeman.

Dudly and Dudly want to hear from Viola McCoy and Ida Cox, Otto Bradly, Dick Brown and Cora Boyd at once.

Professional musicians, watch for the latest in Blues. Within the next few days Prof. Booker will put before the public his own composition, "The Mississippi Blues."

Regards to all, in and out.

IN MOVIES AND VAUDEVILLE AT THE DOUGLASS THEATRE, MACON, GA.

(By L. B. Mound.)

The Hill sisters are playing this house and making a big hit, as usual.

Mama String Beans is singing St. Louis Blues and scores heavily.

Dainty Miss Josephine is using "Where I Leave the World Behind." She renders this beautiful ballad nicely.

Their closing number, "At the Million $ Tango Ball," is a scream. They leave the audience in convulsions of laughter.

Edwards and Wilson are making their second week at this house, and are doing good work. They open with a catchy number, "Oh, You Cute Little Girl," doing a schottische on the chorus.

Miss Wilson is featuring, "There's a Mother Always Waiting." She receives showers of applause.

Their jokes are fresh from "jokeland."

Miss Estelle Wilson sends regards to Miss Edna Barrett.

In Movies.

Serials—The Girl and the Game.
The Broken Coin.
The Diamond from the Sky.

It is the desire of the management of the Douglass Theater to give to its patrons the best there is both in vaudeville and photoplays.

J. C. O'BRIEN'S GEORGIA MINSTRELS.

No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3.

(By J. B. Norton.)

We are now in winter quarters, and the three shows are in brief rehearsal with the following stage managers: Jim Green, the Human Top, stage manager of No. 1; J. B. Norton, stage manager of No. 2; James Crosby, stage manager of No. 3. They all are working hard to get their shows ready for the 26th, when they will open. No. 1 and No. 3 will open at Savannah, Ga. No. 2 will open at Claxton, Ga. This is the greatest winter quarters that have ever been witnessed in history of minstrelsy—180 people, musicians and performers. All musicians under the direction of Prof. G. W. Ayers, the bands as following: Prof. G. W. Ayers, leader of No. 3 band, Prof. Clifford Forby; leader of No. 2 band. All three No. 1, leader, Prof. James Thomas; bands have eighteen pieces in them. All the shows are under the direction of Mr. J. C. O'Brien, Georgia Minstrels, but No. 3 is the Mobile Minstrels, which is staged by James Crosby, the tall talker, who sends regards to Marrish, Creg, Mose McQuity and J. H. McCamon. J. B. Norton sends regards to the Alabama bunch and the Virginia bunch, and would like to hear from Mrs. Bonnie Bell Drew. Write in care The Freeman.

Jim Green sends regards to Sandy Burns, McFurson and Worn Thorn.

Look out, Fat Jack of the Central Theater, Dallas, Tex. I am coming your way. Jim Green, J. B. Norton and Jim Crosby.

NOTICE TO PATRONS OF THE FREEMAN.

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By Sylvester Russell

Musical and Dramatic Criticism — Prose Poems and Current Literature

HOUSLEY & NICHOLAS SCORE HEAVILY AT THE GRAND.

Stuart, the Male Patti, Wins Popular Favor.

Smart Set to Open at the Imperial Theater Feb. 27.

When the Grand opened its doors last Monday evening, vaudeville again claimed its own, for there was a large audience of both races present to greet the two headliner cards of greater reputation. Although Matt Housley and Ralph Nicholas had the main spot on the bill, it was also the hardest place, which they realized, following after an ex-comedy star, but their reception after the first number was rendered completely captivated. Not only did the saxaphone number show art, but their violin and cornet symphony interspersed with Nicholas' black face droll comedy, scored heavily, and the team is classy and picturesque. Stuart, the Male Patti, the finest singing white female impersonator upon the stage, won popular favor in his artistically legitimate chansonette in German and French songs, in falsetto and with an elaborate wardrobe. Murry-Love & Co., had a singing and dancing review which was fair. There was a bridal number, but the seaside girls attracted. The male dancer, who is artisticaly clever, needs a good comedian to support him, as the soubret was weak and the numbers moved slow and too much in similar routine. Stine & Hume was a good singing team of male performers, who barely get by on their comedy, except the finish, which gives them a higher rank. "The Song of Songs for Me" was nicely rendered by the tenor and the sextett operatic burlesque was plausible. Chester's Dogs, revealed in a green plush setting, in poses, were interesting. "Forgotten," "Lost Playmates" and "The Lone Watch" showed them to be fine acting setters.

Salem Tutt Whitney, J. Homer Tutt and Blanche Thompson ended their record breaking engagement last Sunday night to all full houses. Those who supported the stars and established a new reputation were Luke Scott, Sam Gardner, Hattie Akers, Ethlyn Proctor and George Botute and O. D. Carter, dancers. The second act of the show outclassed everything and will be hard to duplicate and The Smart Set female quartet surprised. When the curtain rang down on the closing act at 12:30 last Sunday night, the gallery whistled and screamed for a speech from Whitney, but Mr. Whitney was played out and had gone to his dressing room unconscious of the clamor for his final welcome.

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Smart Set Opens Sunday at the Imperial.

The Smart Set Company will move to the west side of Chicago next week, starting Sunday matinee, February 27, with matinees Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. You can now witness the performanec in its original form and the same way it has been given in all the cities. Salem Tutt Whitney, that droll comedian, will be able to give a correct version of that character so well known south of the Mason and Dixon line, but so seldom seen in this part of the country, J. Homer Tutt—the best colored straight man seen or heard since the days of Geo. Walker—will also give you a correct portrayal of that Beau Brummel of the race. Miss Blanche Thompson, who assumes the leading female part, is sure to win new followers. Miss Hattie Akers, the diminutive and effervescent soubrette, will again be in the running and is sure to please. This is the first time in many years that a colored show has played the outlying theater and the Smart Set holds the distinction of being the only show that has ever played more than two weeks at a stretch. This will make the fourth week of their stay in Chicago, and from reports from the box office they bid fair to break some records before they start east. Several special nights have been arranged for. On Wednesday night there will be a wedding on the stage, with all the pomp and splendor that attaches itself to occasions of the kind. Friday night there will be a dancing contest for prizes open to all.

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PROGRAM OF THE MOVIES.

The States—"As a Woman Sows," Saturday, February 26; "The Dragon," Sunday February 27; Charles Mitchell's benefit takes place Tuesday at 2 p. m.

The Phoenix—"The Wonderful Adventure," Saturday, February 26; "The Broken Law," Sunday, February 27. Business is picking up at the Fountain theater, 35th and Grand boulevard.

The Washington—"Graft" (series), Saturday, February 26; "The Winged Idol," Sunday, February 27. The Keystone comedies continue.

The Atlas—"Blindness of Devotion," Saturday, February 26; "Aloha" and a 2-reel Keystone comedy Sunday, February 27. "The Christian" will be seen Monday, February 28.

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CURRENT LITERATURE.

The Douglas Art Studio has been opened by G. W. Neighbors and H. L. Diemer, at 207 East 35th street. They do photo work of every kind.

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Phil Johnson and Estelle Baylor left for Memphis, Tenn., to open at the Metropolitan theater. The public of the South will find some class to this new act, if they are up to class.

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Madell Thompson closed successfully at the Ellis in his new black face act last week. He opened Monday at the Garden theater. William Tyler and James White, violinist and pianist, have signed for six months for afternoon service at the Boulevard Cafeteria.

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Kid Brown and Ida Griffin, under the name of Brown & Brown, opened at the Columbia, Clark and Division. I saw their act last week. Kid is always funny as a comedian. Miss Griffin should sing her song by banjo accompaniment instead of the chimes and orchestra, which is too heavy.

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Lucretia Mitchell left to give three recitals at Lexington, Ky., Frankfort and Shelbyville, February 28-29 and March 1. She will visit her mother and will then return to Chicago. Charles Mitchell, the trap drummer, has been removed to the Oak Forrest sanitarium for open air treatment.

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There will be a benefit given for Charles Mitchell under the auspices of the orchestra at the States theater next Tuesday, February 29, at 2 p. m. Madam Martha Broadus Anderson will head the bill. Ollie Powers, the James Sisters and others will assist. Edward W. Bailey will direct the orchestra and manage the affair.

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Tom Brown and Carita Day have returned from their trip to the state of Washington, owing to the floods at Seattle and elsewhere. Fred Rogers has opened on the Western Vaudeville time. He is at Clinton, Iowa, with other dates to follow. Dunbar's Old Time Darkies open at the Grand, Philadelphia, March 6; Allegheny theater, Philadelphia, March 13; Keith's, Columbus, O., 20, and Keith's at Dayton, O., 27, for one week each.

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Mr. Sam Grey and Miss Ora Dunlop, members of the Smart Set Company, will be married on the stage Wednesday night, March 1, during that company's stay at the Imperial theater. Quite elaborate preparations have been made for same. Mr. J. M. Free, manager of the company, is looking after the arrangements, and has ordered orange blossoms from California for the bride's veil.

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Dr. Merwyn R. Bibb is the colored republican candidate for alderman of the second ward. He is highly popular and the people of his race should vote for him by all means. What they need in the second ward is plenty of colored aldermen. When the machine don't present one, it's time to break the machine up. Dr. Bibbs will speak at 2918 State street, Monday evening, February 21.

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Washington's birthday was a big winner for the theaters and cabarets after the seven o'clock rain, which starting people to running. The Lincoln Garden dancing and roller skating rink is now under new and popular management. Eugene F. Manns, who always took so much delight in handing the press people lemon drops, has been ousted. I will talk more about courtesy to the press at a later date, but I will say this: Every poor lobster who gets a hold of a little money can't control his head. When he bursts his brain the newspaper man has brains and eggs for a free literary supper. Johnnie Woods, the ventriloquist, who was reported dead, I am told as we go to press, has arrived in the city and opened at a small theater. Henry Bunch, who died last Wednesday, was taken to his home in Memphis, Tenn., for burial. I now make my headquarters at Kelly's LaVerdo, 31st and State, where actors can see me.

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THE LEADER.

(Warranted Conceit)

I'm called a self-conceited cur,
The public likes me just the same,
So what care I for failure-men,
Or smart would-be's who throw a slur,
I'm living to enjoy the fame,
From years of toil, for I have been
To school—
Worked hard and studied, now I'm blessed,
But find my would-be scribes a pest.

They all must follow after me,
For I'm authority—oh fudge!
My knowledge of the trend of things
Is hard on boobs, but plain to see,
For I've been chosen as a judge.
The curse of fame which envy brings
Is naught—
For I'm the leader of my day
And "nons" must follow in the play.
—Sylvester Russell.

THE 81 THEATRE.

Atlanta, Ga.

Is easily the Mecca of the South, and all roads lead to the 81 Theater, where Mr. C. P. Bailey, the owner, greets his many patrons with his famous diamond smile. Mr. F. F. Fuller, the mechanic, is making and painting an elaborate parlor suite, and Fuller says it will be a dream, and wants Austin to christen it with his latest dramatic drama, "Alone in the World." The scenery and the drama will make their first appearance Thursday, for matinee. I think both will go big.

Edward Lankford is putting on an old plantation opening that is scoring very heavily. Ed is doing the ghost of Old Black Joe, making the apparition from an old well that was built especially for this number.

Funny Billy Higgins is featuring his own song in this opening and is going big.

Edna Dudley used two songs in last week's olio and took several encores nightly. Edna should be styled the colored Sophia Tucker

The two Toosweets are here, in their second week, burning the olio up with their latest parodies. They go in stock next week.

"The Unfaithful Wife," a drama in three acts, written by Buddie Austin, was declared one of the best dramas ever attempted by colored performers. Peggy Burnett, as the unfaithful wife, made the audience hiss her all through the acts. She is very emotional and is becoming very dramatic.

Edward Lankford, as the villain, was a sure enough mean man, and the people showed their hate for Ed by almost hissing him from the stage. Ed used every effort to be as mean as possible. His effort to cry was punk. Ed says he has forgotten how to cry.

Birdie Gibson as the discarded wife was a feature of the drama, and she easily had the house in tears. She is quite a favorite here in Atlanta.

Mary Daniels as the mother of Tom Manly was a sure enough old lady in looks, actions and words, and she did her lines very nicely.

Frank De Lyons as the father was the big noise in the act, and Frank has done the old man character so much one would believe him an old man.

Henry Bowman as the policeman was very good and should apply for a position on the city force.

Lew Kenner, the prison guard, was indeed a mean guard, and when he was sapped the audience was very well satisfied. Funny Billy Higgins had charge of the comedy, and he brought the house down with his comedy.

Buddie Austin as Tom Manly was in the act from start to finish.

Dinah Scott, Maggie Austin, Genevieve Stearn, Lyons Daniels and Nuggie Johnson put on that classical grand opera, "The Anvil Chorus," to perfection.

Miss Irene Sterling, our cashier, is on the sick list again. We hope to see her out soon.

Tom Bailey, our operator, is signed to pitch for Shreveport, La., in the Texas League. Tom will burn this league up. Readding, the great colored pitcher, is training Tom.

Prof. Ed Butler is busy writing a grand ensemble march, and it will be produced next week.

Arthur Chandler is still beating the drums and handling his big collection of traps.

Be sure and send thirty copies of the dear old Freeman.

LEW HALL'S COLUMN.

Little o' This and Little o' That.

Many a large idea originates in a small head.

Some performers make good by stepping in other performer's tracks.

Did you ever see a successful performer look like a tramp? Brace up!

Speaking of "knockers," it is better to be the hammer than the anvil.

Careless performers let their end steal upon their unawares and unprovided for.

A wise theatrical manager with experience can frame with little money. Brains and experience do more than a chump loaded with cash.

Some theatrical managers are so reckless with their money that they even use it for paying performers.

Friends.

What is joy but for one to know
That friends are true 'midst trials and woe?
For there's nothing better in all the land
Than to feel the heartbeat through the hand,
And meet with friends tried and true
When many have turned their back on you.
Nothing is better when days are drear
Than fellowship with friends sincere.

What is joy but for one to know
That friends are true when warm tears flow,
And know that they are what they profess
In prosperity or times of distress.
More precious than gold is one true friend,
With your heart entwined till this life end,
Loyal to the core in time of need,
Yea, when the heart is made to bleed.

What is joy but for one to know
That friends are true when fierce winds blow,
When clouds settle low in life's dark hour,
When rains of adversity upon us pour?
There's joy even then in the darkest place,
To get the glimpse of a true friend's face,
And know his heart in true harmony
Beats for you in loving sympathy.

What is joy but for one to know
That friends are true wherever we go,
Though thousands of miles and oceans apart,
True for aye, in deed and heart?
Distance is naught with friends we love,
Whether on earth or in heaven above.
'Tis a sad fact that true friends are few,
Still, 'tis a glad fact that some are true.

John Tharon to Present All-Star Musical Comedy Revue.

By Lew Hall.

Ever on the lookout to better his opportunities and at the same time to dispel the popular theory that in local musical comedy "There is nothing new under the sun," John Tharon, who is to assume the name of which, being the "king" of that popular branch of amusement, "new musical comedy," has evolved something new for the coming season which promises to be a winner, and for which he is deserving of unstinted credit and praise.

Tharon's idea, which he proposes to carry through, is an "all-star musical comedy revue." A hodge-podge of entertainment in which recruits from the legitimate vaudeville will air their talent in the much praised musical revival from Lew Hall's pen, "Duke of Haiti," "In Mexico," "Trip to the Tropics." These productions will be a mixture of musical comedy, burlesque, comic opera. Something that local comedy companies are not capable of presenting. Lew Hall, the sole author and who will appear in leading black face, was recently regarded by Harry Davis as one of the foremost Negro playwrights, and further stated that the play, "Duke of Haiti," was one of the best minutiae comedy productions he ever witnessed arranged by a Negro producer.

John Tharon, owner and general manager, states that he will firstly play week stands in houses; secondly go enroute under canvas.

Lew Hall would like to hear from those desiring to join this "mammoth revnue." Watch the Freeman for further announcements.

"TO MY GIRL."

(By Amon Davis.)

Here's to the girl I use to love
And the girl I love right now;
There's lots of difference in the two
I won't tell 'cause it may start a row.
So I'll toast the one that's been so true
That's the one now—so here's to you.
(Moral)—"Call no names, bear no blames."

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LETTER LIST.

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ROUTE.

Richard & Pringle's Famous Minstrels, direction Holland & Filkins—Brownsville, Tex., Feb. 28; Corpus Christi, 29.

Morgan's Mighty Minstrels, Arthur L. Prince, Mgr.—East St. Louis, Ill., Cozy Theater, week of Feb. 21.

Robinson's Old Kentucky Minstrels—Fisher, La., Feb. 28; Many, 29; Yvolle, March 1; Shreveport, 2; Oil City, 3.

Lone Bert Murphy, The Brazillian Walnut—Proctor's Theater, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Feb. 28-29, March 1; Proctor's Theater, Albany, 2, 3, 4.

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H. S. Wooten, one of the old time tenor singers with an enviable reputation and a favorite with all lovers of minstrelsy. Finished a long season with Rockwell's Sunny South. He is now working in the Windy City.

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The Grand theater, Chicago, boasts as competent a crew of stage hands as can be found in any theater. Not only are the members of this crew courteous and congenial, but their rapid handling and shifting of scenery, and intelligent manipulation of electrical effects make it a pleasure to work at the Grand. Members of the crew are: James T. C. Barret, stage manager; William Foster, asst. stage manager; Rufus McReynolds, stage fireman and props, and James A. B. Taylor, Grip.

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Fred Anderson, of Indianapolis, Ind. has an international reputation as a tenor singer. He has but lately returned from London and at present is living in Detroit, Mich. Mr. Anderson possesses a phenomenal tenor voice, Pure, sweet, volumumous, a wide range and remarkable flexibility. He may easily be placed at the top of the list of colored tenors. He is arranging to give a series of recitals that will include the principal cities of the U. S. A. Mr. Anderson was in London during one of the German's recent Zeppelin raids. He says that great damage was done and many people were killed. The roar of the explosions, the shriek of flying fragments, the crash of falling buildings, mingled with the frenzied screams of fear crazed men and women were truly apalling. After the raid, Mr. Anderson concluded there was no place like "Home Sweet Home," and had his name included in the passenger list of the first American bound steamer.

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Dave Peyton, is a pianist and director of the Grand orchestra. He is a musician of merit and a composer and arranger of ability. Other members of the orchestra are: Milton B. Vasser, an excellent violinist; Harry Johnson, cornet; Verona Briggs, Clarinet; Roscoe Stokes, trombone; Rudolph Reynand, bass violin, and Dan Parker, trap drummer.

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When it comes to gleaning the latest happenings in the sporting world, we would say that Romeo L. Dougherty is "Johnny on the Spot." We also hope that J. Finley Wilson will be elected President of the Negro Press Ass'n. And we are delighted to note that there is no subsidence in the output that from the prolific pen of R. W. T.

The Smart Set in "Geo. Washington Bullion Abroad," smashed all records at the Grand, Chicago. Mr. Johnson, the genial manager, of the pretty playhouse and J. Martin Free, manager of the company are felicitating one with the other upon the success of the engagement.

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The company played the one house three weeks of 21 days and gave 53 performances. The total number of paid admissions reached $50,000. The colored population of Chicago is given by the city census as 100,000. This is more than is given by the official census, but reckoning from the city enumeration, the Smart Set played to at least 50 per cent. of the colored population. Only 10 per cent. or less, of any population may be reckoned as theater gowers which means that the Smart Set played to 40 per cent. above normal.

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The Grand is a vaudeville house. Changing shows twice weekly. Geo. Washington Bullion is a regulation road show, length of show 2 hours and 30 minutes. In order to insure a profitable engagement financially necessitates a 50 per cent. advance in the price of admission. Notwithstanding, these handicaps the attendance the closing night was as large as the opening and there was no abatement in the enthusiasm for the show.

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The company rehearsed three weeks at the Elk's Rest Philadelphia prior to opening the 1915 season. Then opened at Gibson's new Standard without any of the usual proceedings "one nighters" to wipe the show into shape. The first matinee performance went thru without a hitch and the show was an instant hit, and played to capacity houses throughout the week. At the Lafayette all records for attendance were broken. The same business was duplicated in Washington, D. C. In Omaha the Smart Set was the best drawing attraction of the season, at the Brandies also at the Grand Kansas City. The boys and girls are rightfully proud of their good work and we have something brand new up our sleeves for next season.

NEWS OF THE PLAYERS

Mrs. Emma Webb of Milwaukee, Wis., left the city February 14 for a three weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Kansas City, Carrollton and St. Louis, Mo.

Nina Mitchell, formerly of Stovall and Stovall, was at Columbia Theater, Indianapolis, last week where she gave three splendid song numbers.

Pearl Moppin, musical hoop rolling artist, came home a few weeks ago for a rest, but has been very busy rehearsing, entertaining, playing and showing. No actual rest for "Old Mop." Milwaukee is a busy "burg." Get me? Regards to all.

Easton & Easton have just closed a successful engagement at the Lyric Theater, Newport News, Va., and will open in Danville, Va., for one week, beginning February 21, with Baltimore to follow Idho Trio, write. Business of importance.

Benbow Baby closed a successful three weeks' engagement in Chicago, Ill., and now playing a one week's engagement in St. Louis, Mo., at the Booker Washington Theater, with Louisville, Ky., to follow, with String Beans' big act. Hello, all! Baby Benlow.

Davis & White are still in the city of New Orleans working around the city and will leave soon after the Mardi Gras. They will make a long jump but all mail will reach them at the Iroquois Theatre, 1562 Gasquet street. Hello, Emil Walton, did you get that letter?

Buddie Glenn, the veteran comedian, is in Augusta, Ga., and sends best regards to all friends in and out of the profession, and wants to know whereabouts of his nephew, Willie Glenn. Any information given will be thankfully received. Address 1309 Twiggs street, Augusta, Ga.

Granstaff & Davis, after playing 20 weeks down East, working out of Boston, for Quigley Church and the United, are having success around New York on the Family United. Regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Mail will reach us at 241 West Forty-first street. Exclusive agent, Miss Pauline Cooke, Gayety Theater Bldg., New York.

Little Odessa L. Schaffer and Alexander Lovejoy are working at Henderson's Theater, Hopewell, Va., and are getting their's nightly. The audience seems well pleased with the way Little Odessa puts over Rulf Johnson's harmony band and her buck dancing, also. She would like very much to hear from Matthew S. White. Regards to Lena and Charlie Arrand, Joe Johnson and A. J. McFarland.

Mr. Charles J. Parker, one of Lexington's (Ky.) popular comedians, who retired from the footlights a few years ago, would like to have a "few lines" from his many friends, who are both in and out of the "game." Hi Jerry Byrans, George Rowlands, Rebecca Johnson, Joseph and Eugene Clark, Bessie Smiley, Anna Hicks and other old friends please write. Address 401 South Limestone street, Lexington, Ky.

Hi Jerry Barnes, Ver A. Adams and Tom Washington—this trio is working at Hart and Blakesley cabaret, one of the leading white cabarets of St. Joseph, Mo. This little band of three are pleasing the enormous crowds that attend this place with up-to-date songs and music—everything from "Poet and Peasant" down to the latest ragtime hits and its given up to be that they are the best bunch of entertainer that have been here for some time.

Max C. Elliott, the wild-cat agent, writes from Orlando, Fla.: The Prof. Eph Williams show is the greatest colored show now in the orange belt. Is packing them in to standing room under a four-pole top, 60 feet round top with three 40-foot middle pieces. Some show and some spread of canvas. The Prof. is thinking that if business keeps up we will enlarge to a 100-foot round top with four middle pieces. At the present time we cannot handle the crowds.

CINCINNATI NOTES.

Charles Payne, formerly of the Smith Bright Players, was married February 3 to Miss Freddie Paterson at the residence of Mrs. Ella Goodloe. They received quite a few presents from their many friends. Maybelle Brown, the French girl, formerly of the famous Brown Sisters, late of Smith-Bright Players, is laying off here, rehearsing a new act, entitled "The Streets of Cincinnati." She will be assisted by the well known Cadet Lovey Smith. As soon as she cures her throat and removes the scar the act will be ready for the public. Hello, D. L. W., what's the verdict? You were a lucky boy. Gallie De Gaston was in town for a few days doing a tramp single. His two songs are "The Partner I Used to to Have Is With the Clutching Hand Now" and "Some Sweet Day." Both houses are using pictures; business is fair.

NEW YORK NEWS.

(By Billie E. Jones.)

Jones & Johnson are at Lincoln Theater, New York.

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Robinson & Nicholas are at the Auditorium, Auburn, N. Y.

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Houseley & Nichols are at the Grand Theater, Chicago, Ill.

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Wilson & Wilson are at the Columbia Theater, Davenport, Ia.

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Thomas & Henderson are at Proctor's Theater, Troy, N. Y.

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Brooks & Bowen are at the Majestic Theater, Kalamazoo, Mich.

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Fiddler & Shelton are at the Greeley Square Theater, New York.

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Holdiay in Dixie Co. are at Pantages Theater, Edmonton, Canada.

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Brown & Jackson are at the Empress Theater, Omaha, Neb.

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Bert Williams, with Ziegfeld Follies, at Cincinnati, Ohio this week.

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Six Musical Spillers are at the Majestic Theater, Bloomington, Ill.

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Dunbar's quartette of singers are at Keith's Theater, Providence, R. I.

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Johnson & Deane are at the Fulton Street Theater, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Rucker & Winifred are at the Pantages Theater, San Francisco, Cal.

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Rockwell's Sunny South Co. close February 12th at West Liberty, Ia.

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Billy E. Jones, singing "My Mother's Rosary," a big hit with this artist.

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The Eight Black Dots are meeting with big success in the West this week. They are at the Empress Theater, Seattle, Wash.

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Having read the Colored Theatrical Guide and Business Directory, giving some interesting points in regards to the professional world, which is a great benefit to the performer and manager, as the locality of every colored theater in the states is listed, and the guide not only being inclined to theatrical but is also a business directory. Performers can secure this book of the author, William Ward, 35 Fleet street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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I. Lubrie Hill's Darktown Follies, of 1916, is packing them in at the Lafayette theatre this week, in New York, the songs are all brilliant and catchy. The booking is by Alex Rogers, and music, lyrics and staging by J. Lubrie Hill. J. Leubrie Hill, as Dora Dean, gives us another of his inimitable female characters, Dink Stewart comedian, Mme. Fairfax, Rogers, Burris and Creighton Thompson, Marjorie Lipp, Evon Robison, Allie Giliam, Nina Hunter, Irma Baptist, Opal Cooper, all help to make this one of the greatest colored shows of today. The company is composed of seventy-five people.

GIBSON'S NEW STANDARD THEATER, PHILADELPHIA.

(By J. N. Gray.)

The pleasing combination of persiflage, song and dance that is in the skit called "Who is an actor" seen this week at Gibson's New Standard Theatre with Montgomery and McClain assisted by Austin as the participants were quite up to requirements and added to the merit of the entertainment. One of the excellent offerings on the bill was Werner's Five Trained Stallions who were overflowing with human sense and were full of amusing new tricks, and did them with a show of enjoyment. Luckie and Connie as the two dancing drum majors presented an act that had a wealth of comic material. "Far away in Norway" a new song was appreciated. The Lessell trio producing the greatest trampoline bar act of the age were very strenuous in their athletic stunts. They were a care free trio. The act gay and blithesome, and thus was duly welcome. Confidence that comes from appreciation of the public evidently enables Manager Gibson to give new bill with marked improvement over that previously given because he won't have no acts that are not up to the standard. The Rhodes trio opened the show on Monday, but they had a wintery manner that was wholly in accord with the weather which chilled the audience; where-up-on Manager Gibson immediately cancelled the act. Billy King and his company in the laughing skit "Senator Jones on Preparedness," was greatly enjoyed. It was interspersed with singing and dancing. Billy King is a most natural human sort of player and his quiet and droll humor is always relished and appreciated, he is surrounded by a number of real good people.

A RABBIT'S FOOT CO.

(By P. L. Jenkins.)

This week finds us in Texas, the great Lone Star State. We are now having ideal weather with a spring-like tint and everybody is well and fine. Mr. Wolcott, our genial manager, will tell you between puffs of his big clear Havana cigars that he is well pleased with the entire bunch, as we have a band of gentlemanly musicians and a bunch of genteel performers, each an artist in his or her respective line.

R. HENRI STRANGE DEAD—NOTED FOR HISTRIONIC ABILITY—PLAYED KING MENELIK IN WILLIAMS & WALKER'S "ABBYSINIA."

R. Henri Strange, 52 years old, a noted elocutionist, who made a national reputation playing King Menelik with Williams & Walker's Abyssinia Co., died on Friday afternoon, February 11, at 5:30 o'clock at his home, 1003 South Eighteenth street. He had been ill for two years. He leaves a mother, one brother and two sisters. The funeral was held on Tuesday, February 15, Rev. W. F. Graham officiating. Interment was at Eden cemetery.

NOTES FROM THE DREAMLAND EXPOSITION SHOWS—GOV. J. A. MACY, MGR.

(By Henry L. Jackson.)

We are still in Mississippi and we are having grand success. The weather has been against us, but we are here to stay.

The colored minstrels are still the feature attraction. Mr. Harley Foster, the new manager of the minstrels, is delighted with his company, and he declares he will have the best show on the road if he has to send tickets to Germany. Mr. Foster's first act was to reorganize the company, which he did by securing the members of the Moseley Stock Company, headed by Willie Moseley, better known as Ball the Jack. Mr. Moseley is our new stage manager and is one of the best buck and wing dancers in the business. Mr. Henry Fields, whose stage name is 'Papa Stopper," is our box office attraction. He is encored nightly when he sings "You Missed a Good Man When You Picked All Over Me." Miss Susie Williamson, our new subrette, is having great success in her new songs and dances.

Mr. Fred Starkey, our magician, is a real surprise. Mrs. Moseley, our new cook, is the right woman in the right place, and "Shorty" and "Whitey" say she can certainly cook biscuit.

"Buckwheat Stringer" has resigned his position as stage manager, but he has the best wishes of the entire company, and we are all with him in his future prospects.

The Coles, Alice, Elnora and Pearl (Skeeter), are rehearsing a new act written especially for them by Henry L. Jackson, entitled "Our Name Is Cole, but We Are Three Warm Members."

The Ragans, Ben and Lillie, are still cleaning up. Miss Lillie is the original colored lady that sings to beat the band.

"Frog" Foster is still being called back when he sings the "Traveling Man." He says if things don't go right he will be a traveling man, indeed.

Marshall Samples and John are still the favorites with the "49" camp. Sam Berry is the all-round man with the merry-go-round. Prof. Louis Anderson and his great band are all smiles this week. They have a reason—Their new uniforms arrived in Ruleville. Mrs. Laura Anderson has joined the band as cornetist, and is quite an addition. During our stay in Ruleville the company was entertained by Mr. James Martin. Mr. Marshall Cross, who lives three miles from Ruleville, ordered three automobiles and escorted the entire company to his headquarters and gave them the time of their lives. Frog Foster was chauffeur. While in Moorhead we met Mrs. L. L. Scrivens, and she was so pleased with The Freeman that she would not be satisfied unless she could be an agent for The Freeman. Mr. Henry L. Jackson is still our musical director and sends regards to The Freeman, Prof. Joe Patton of Jackson, Miss., and all friends in and out of the profession. Our next stop is Clarksdale, Miss., and we will be there from Feb. 14 until Feb. 19.

THE COLORED ACTOR IN THE LEGITIMATE DRAMA.

(By The Mule.)

Since Producing Manager Billy Burke, of the New Lincoln Theatre, 135th street, New York City, has demonstrated that the colored performer can make good in the legitimate dramatic field, a new opportunity has been opened up to all who are ambitious for the advancement of the race, and a desire to provide a higher, cleaner brand of entertainment for the patrons of colored theatres throughout this country. The Lincoln Stock Company, recently organized by and under the direction of Mr. Burke, has already attained that degree of efficiency in the portrayal of various types of dramatic characters, that they are now, attempting, the production of high-class standard American comedies and dramas, and that their efforts have met with the highest kind of success, is amply attested by the throngs of people who clamor for admittance to the popular play house, at each succeeding performance. Before the stock company was installed, the New Lincoln could lay claim only to the colored population of Harlem, and the near-by neighborhood, but now, the clientele of the house extends to far-off Brooklyn, Jersey City, and the Bronx, and now standing room only is the rule at an early hour in the afternoon and evenings. Last week's play, "Goldenheart," was most enthusiastically received, and each member of the company scored strongly and demonstrated by their work, that they are fast becoming conversant with the work. Walker Thompson, in the title role of "Goldenheart," was at his best. Other members who showed up to great advantage was Charles F. Olden, as Tommy Mulligan; Clarence Muse, as Frederick Hammond; Al H. Watts, as Doctor Hammond, was a capital villian, and his conception of the difficult part was most convincing. Miss Margaret Scott looked and acted the ambitious woman of wealth. Miss Cecil Jones was the sweet, confiding Elice, and presented a pretty type of the Ingenue, and her affectionate scenes with her lover, Goldenheart, were effectively done. Miss Ophelia Muse made an ideal and romantic Indian maid in the character of Red Wing. Plays underlined for future production are, "The Man Who Came Back," "Lena Rivers," "The Savage," and "Paying The Price." Others will undoubtedly follow, for the support of the company are now receiving, bid fair for the continuance of the stock company for an indefinite run.

DANVILLE, VA., THEATRE AND CITY NEWS.

(By George W. Thompson.)

Venable & Venable played to a full house every night last week. They put on some latest songs, and C. Venable made a great hit. Peat & Hayes are playing a return engagement at the Columbia this week. They are very clever actors and made some hit the first week they played here. They were to play in Lynchburg, but players are stranded there now on account of the non-payment. "The Broken Coin," the first episode was played to two full audiences last Friday night and still a larger crowd saw it this week. Venable & Venable left Sunday morning for parts unknown.

Bob Broadnax, proprietor of the Manhattan Cafe, has opened an up-to-date steam heated and electric lighted hotel, the only one in the city for colored people. He also has baths with running water, hot and cold, and the hotel seems to have made a hit since opening. When in town just ask for Manhattan Annex and you will get excellent service. The Liberty Cafe, European plan, has made a great hit and the best of service is being given patrons.

The Chesterfield Social Club will hold their monthly meeting next Tuesday night, and Bish Logan has a wireless watch and says it will meet at 8 o'clock prompt.

Mr. Geo. W. Woody is now superintendent of the Provident Relief Association of Washington, D. C., which recently was held by White.

The Owls' Club is doing a rushing business and the enrollment is increasing daily and they have the second largest enrollment in Virginia.

The Elks Club is in the line too. They have a large enrollment, and they say they are the only colored Elks in south side Virginia.

What's the matter with Danville? Nothing. Danville is all right. Watch Danville grow. Keep your eyes on Danville throughout 1916.

The Negro Charity and Welfare League was organized about three weeks ago and they are in line too. They have raised nearly $500 in two weeks toward supplying a nurse to the colored poor and the funds are still increasing.

The White Sox met last Friday night to elect officers and players of the team. The line-up is as follows: W. H. Paxton, center field; R. A. Smith, substitute; H. Cornitchie, third base; J. Green, pitch; L. Cargo, substitute; C. Clark, second base; Jas Jarerson, catch; N. W. Grasty, right field; George Hairston catch; Charlie McGee, first base; E. Haden, short stop; D. Hairston, left field; H. Gillispie, pitch; W. J. Price, second base. Officers: R. A. Smith, president; Clarence Clark, treasurer; W. J. Price, manager; Geo. W. Thompson, secretary; N. W. Grasty, captain.

All baseball teams wishing a game with the White Sox, write to P. O. Box 85, Danville, Va. The Chesterfield baseball team and players will be organized next Tuesday night.

The Southern Aid Society Insurance Company has moved from Lynn street to Main, where they are doing bigger business.

The teachers of the school of South Side, Virginia, will meet some time this month. Get next week's issue of this paper and find out who they are. These articles are written by George W. Thompson every week.

String Beans Been Here Made His Quick Duck and Got Away

PERMANANT ADDRESS CARE THE FREEMAN, INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

STRING BEANS

Is still working and will open in Louisville, Ky., Feb 28, with his little partner, who is going good singing String Beans Songs. Regards to all.

NOTES FROM THE TRI-CITY ORCHESTRA, FLORENCE, ALA.

The Tri-City Orchestra played at the banquet of the S. K. N. Club and there was a large crowd turned out.

Mrs. William A. Whittaker of New York is spending a few weeks in Florence with some of her friends, on some business while he is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Andrews.

Mr. Candis Fields has opened his pool parlors and has three fast tables, newly covered, and would like to have visitors call and see him.

Mr. R. B. Buckingham is doing a fine business in his grocery store on Alabama street. Florence (Ala.) visitors are welcome.

Dr. J. E. Jones, dentist, has a very fine dental parlor on Tennessee street, and has just bought a new dental outfit.

Dr. J. Suggs has just got back from his visit at the Tuskegee Institute, and he said that he had a pleasant trip.

Mrs. C. H. Jefferson of Savannah, Tenn., is visiting Mrs. Bessie Forster's hair dressing parlor, and will be here three or four weeks under a course.

Mrs. W. K. Hudnell of Washington, D. C., visiting here, was married here last Sunday night to Miss Maggie Glenn, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alice Glenn.

STIGALL PUTS ON SLEEPER FOR COLE.

RICHMOND, Ind., Feb. 23.—Little Arthur Stigall put Kid Cole of Chicago to sleep in the fourth round of the main bout Friday night at the colored K. of P. Hall, Fort Wayne avenue and North D street. Stigall started with a rush and was on the offensive until he connected with the point to Cole's jaw in the fourth round, sending Cole to the land of nod.

The match was one-sided. Cole would cover up and clinch every time Stigall would attempt to feint him out. Stigall boxed three rounds to find an opening and finally caught Cole with his guard down.

Kid Cotton and Moore, both local boys, battled a fast and furious four-round preliminary. Moore knocked Cotton to the ropes in the first round and Moore was on the offensive the second round. In the third round Cotton had Moore groggy, and with a right hook to the jaw sent him to the floor.

MOUND CITY, ILLINOIS.

Notwithstanding the high water has devastated many places in this part of the Ohio and Mississippi valley, yet the people here in this city have been well protected by the excellent levee, and no one as can be learned has been put to any loss. By the last improvement made since the flood in 1913, we are secure and as the water is now receding, we hope to see things normal in all sections in a very short time.

The Parent-Teachers' Association held at the A. M. E. church Thursday evening, February 10, rendered the following program: Invocation, Rev. Sims; select reading, "Health and Sanitation," Mrs. Ollie Grant; recital, Miss Emma Hayes; paper, "School Education versus Home Education," Miss Rose Higgenbottom; paper, "How Can We Teach the Child Responsibility," Miss Dovie Taylor; paper, "What Should the Teacher Expect of the Parent," Miss C. McCray; address, Rev. D. M. Cole, upon "Christian Education." Music was furnished by the choir.

Exercises were held at the Lovejoy school Friday, February 11, in honor of Lincoln, to-wit: Reading of the Emancipation, M. Campbell; biography, James Cochran; Gettysburg address, Zero Webb; paper, "The Unpaid Debt," Bernice Caldwell; address, Hon. C. S. Miller, states attorney. With patriotic songs by all the grades assembled in the assembly hall for this occasion.

At the last meeting of the Pulaski County Teachers' Association, resolutions were submitted by Principal J. W. Ware in honor of Dr. B. T. Washington and the same adopted by the association, composed of about sixty white and thirty colored teachers.

Mrs. Willis Logan has been very ill for several days and is still being attended by specialist for her serious illness.

Another big sale took place on the court house steps Saturday by Chancellor Chas. Rice, master in chancery. All parties concerned were prominent citizens of the other race.

Mr. Vess Marr, who has been very sick at his home on Pear street, is reported to be improving nicely.

McDONALD, PA.

Sunday school opened at 9:30 a. m., with large attendance and pupils with a well learned lesson. Sunday school adjourned at 11 a. m., and all members ready to partake of the Lord's Supper, and listened to a most wonderful sermon by the Rev. G. E. Sallie. After singing a hymn, they departed, to come together at 6 p. m.

Mrs. E. L. Shelton and R. E. Tweedy are on the sick list.

Mr. Edward Sallie is home on account of illness.

Mrs. Elvira Jenning is improving.

Mrs. Rosa Spencer spent Sunday among friends here.

There will be a grand concert under the auspices of the Volunteer Church Club for the benefit of First Baptist church of McDonald on Monday, March 6, 1916, in the K. of P. and Odd Fellows' Hall on Valley street, and after the concert refreshments will be served.

Committee for Ice Cream—Mrs. Shelby Oakley, chairlady; Miss Maude Redd, Miss Josephine Browning.

Chicken—Clyde Van Cleve, George Browning, W. L. Carter, chairman.

Pop—Robert Browning, John Saunders, Thomas Harris, chairman.

All are welcome. Concert begins at 8:15 sharp. Doors opened at 7 o'clock sharp. Admission, 25 cents. Children under 12 years, 15 cents. L. A. Lynch, manager; T. S. Browning, business manager; Miss Mae Lewis, music director.

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Talking Over the Boxing Situation

Colored Boys Up Against It

BY BILLY LEWIS

The colored boys of whatever fighting weight are having trouble in these days getting something to do worth while. It's the old story of race friction that's keeping our fellows from getting a decent show for getting to the money. We dislike very much to find it necessary all of the time to refer to the race question when discussing subjects that have race good in view. But as much as I or others may dislike it, we can't get away from the fact that the race question has almost all to do with the prosperity of the colored boxers.

The colored people have but little money in comparison with the white people. So they can not offer similar purses, notwithstanding the expenses of the boxers of either race are practically the same. Then, too, it has only been within recent years that our race has taken kindly to sport. Slavery left its impress on the older generations, who handed it down until the more recent days, when there is a marked degree of liberality. Even the modest game of baseball, which is the delight of the American heart, has but lately emerged from 'neath the ban of disapproval. It is only within the last few years that women thought of seeing the ornamented diamond, knowing the disfavor in which it was held by their religious forbears.

The pugilist business, which has never been received with open arms by the white people, has had a struggle to win any claim of attention from our people. Nor am I sure that the situation is any better than it was a few years ago. With the coming of Jack Johnson, great concessions were made by them to the fighting game. This setto was sort of a race contest. From their viewpoint, and as it is in all such contests, scruples and small objections were set aside in view of the glory of the production—a first man of the world that was a Negro. Since that time this race patriotism has subsided, and the fighting boys find themselves practically existing on husks. George Dixon, Peter Jackson, Joe Wolcott and a few others never thought of a Negro audience to sustain them. In those days the sporting clientele wished to see the superior man, not a superior man of a given species. It is different nowadays, when the superior white man is the objective among those who can make the business interesting.

All is now changed. Elimination is the word, whether spoken or understood. Johnson improved the fighting business for the Negroes for a few years; he improved it for white men permanently. Never in the history of the country has such liberality of conditions been show boxers. There are commissions of all kinds with the view of licensing and regulating boxing contests. A few States only positively forbid any kind of boxing exhibition whatsoever. All of this ought to mean hopefulness to the colored boys, but it is not that way. These commissions, most of them, were not called into being for the purpose of encouraging colored and white boxers to meet. They, however, do not object to the meeting of colored boys. This is not encouraging, because purses by the colored men, in the nature of things, cannot mean very much. This is not absolutely the rule, but it is practically general.

Langford, McVey, Jeanette, Wills are the big four heavies of the Negro race. They move in a circle as fighters as to who is the chief of them all, and in a groove as it concerns their money earning possibilities. They have been struck by the stagnation of elimination, and are now about foundered in the matter of funds. Packey McFarland and Mike Gibbons, of no positive position in the fighting, would draw their thousands. Our quartet, each of whom aspired to meet Johnson, is now on the scrap heap, in spite of their fine fighting abilities. The race question embargo is responsible for this. It does not matter who they can best; it is no longer interesting. Very likely the Negroes will pass out as formidable fighters at the exit of the quartet unless there is a reinforcement of interest.

The lightweight division, the middleweights and the rest of them are also struck and must do the best they can among their own kind. The decreasing interest has shifted the fight scenes. Indianapolis, in the matter, is as deserted as a last year's bird's nest. Muncie, Evansville, West Baden, Richmond, Terre Haute, Indiana cities, fluctuate as freely as the market reports of Wall street. St. Louis, Kansas City, New Orleans and Pittsburgh are doing something, but through it all there is a note of disinterestedness, due to the poor pay prospects.

What will the future be? A few boys like Arthur Stigall, Leo Johnson, Eddie Jordan, Leslie Williams, Kid Fields, Young Joe Gans and others are holding up the banner in their own ranks. But the ranks do not count for much. They, however, are making a brave show to keep the game up to the standard. They find themselves hampered by poor money conditions, and they deserve credit in keeping at it, regardless of the fact that they are limited in their chances.

The way out of the grooves is the question. It will be thought that time alone can solve the question, as it has done in baseball. Colored men are now enjoying fair salaries in that division of sport, where a few years ago they were not earning board. The game has had no spurs to urge it into favor. And perhaps the boxing business will have to abide its time. Of course, the game should not be pursued wholly for the money in it. The object of the commissions is to encourage a spirit of manliness in the sense of physical development. It may be that if the money idea had not shown its keen edge with our people, the business would be in a better way. Our gymnasiums and boxing clubs, many of them, went to pieces just as soon as the money prospects were gone. Many white clubs are maintained for training purposes, the contests being incidents. All over the country stadiums and other structures for physical training are being built, which, of course, means the permanence of the physical training idea. Perhaps if our race would manifest this same earnestness, putting money into respectable appearing structures, there would be an appeal for support that would be answered in the right way. Boxers would have much better chances, as they could move about the country much like the theatrical people do, and with a much greater assurance of financial success than they now have. This does not mean the encouragement of the boxing business in a wholesale way, but the encouragement of physical culture, with boxing and other contests as incidents.

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORT.

NEW YORK, February 18.—Three amateur boxers who were selected to represent the Amateur Athletic Union in the international tournament at Copenhagen and other special bouts in Denmark and Sweden sailed on the Oscar II yesterday. The men are John Karpinski, Cleveland A C.., lightweight champion; John Maloney, St. Rica's C. C., Philadelphia featherweight champion, and William Spengler, Union Settlement A. C., New York, light-heavyweight champion. Ernie Hjertberg, the national athletic advisor of Sweden sailed on the same steamer and promised to take good care of the American representatives on the voyage and after their arrival in Europe.

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NEW YORK—Gloom hangs in thick dark clouds over the heads of McVey, Langford, Willis and others of color who punch people for a living. The New York boxing commission turned down a proposed revision of the rules to permit bouts between white fighters and Negroes. Chairman Fred Wenck favored the proposed change, but John Franey turned the balance against it.

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NEW YORK—Tham Langford had little the better of Tham McVey in the twelfth meeting of the gloomy gladiators, a ten-round tilt at Madison Square Garden, February 18. The bout, however, was slow and most of the fans left before the finish. Langford landed the few wallops that did get over, but an abiding affection kept the two Negroes in close embrace most of the time.

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James Cox Brady of Gladstone, N. J., has imported the celebrated prize-winning English pony Iris She is six years old and the winner of 27 blue ribbons and five championships.

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NEW YORK—Jack Britton today claimed the welterweight championship of the world by reason of his defeat of Ted (Kid) Lewis Thursday of last week. Lewis beat Willie Ritchie to establish his claim and Britton's victory over the Englishman was cleancut.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The seat sale for the Jess Willard-Frank Moran fight, March 25, was to begin today following reassuring reports from Chicago which convinced Tex Rickard that the champion would be on hand ready to battle. Reservations are well under way, Rickard announced, and indications are that hundreds of women will grace the ringside when the gladiators begin swatting. Moran's training continued, but the Pittsburgh blonde is taking it easy to avoid going stale before the fight.

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Howard Drew wishes to study law.

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LONDON, Feb. 21.—Bombadier Wells knocked out Dick Smith in the third round of their bout tonight for the heavyweight championship of England.

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Pitchers Wood and Collins and Center Fielder Speaker are the only members of the world's champion Boston Red Sox baseball team who have not signed contracts for this year.

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New York horsemen are represented by more than 200 of the 763 entries in the Kentucky futurity for foals of 1915, to be trotted next year at Lexington, Ky.

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Texas baseball league players are to operate under the workmen's compensation law and will be protected by insurance against injury.

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Investigation shows that 57.6 per cent of the colleges of this country employ coaches and that 86 per cent pay either the entire or a part of the salary of their professional athletic instructors. This leaves only 14 per cent of the colleges and universities without professional coaching.

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Plans are under way in Chicago for the staging of a series of races to decide the amateur automobile racing championship of the United States.

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CHICAGO—Ad Wolgast was rapidly rounding into form today at the Arcade gym, and said he hoped to scramble Freddie Welsh's innards considerably in his bout March 6 at Milwaukee. Wolgast is expected to rely again on his famous kidney punch.

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Bernie Wefers likes Howard Drew in action more and more, and according to the great sprinter of the early 90's it wouldn't be surprising if Drew came back and covered the 100 yards in the yet unheard of time 9 2-5 seconds for the distance.

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Battling Hutchins of Savannah, Ga., is out with a challenge to all comers at 140 pounds. He says "If you mean business, address Augustus Hutchins, 631 Bryan Street West. Savannah, Ga."

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Knockout Kid Grant, the Cuban, challenges all lightweights. Address 541 Berrin St., Savannah, Ga.

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SAVANNAH, Ga.—Knockout Grant, who also claims to be the colored lightweight champion of the South, battled Sam Jonerson here recently a hard fifteen-round draw.

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CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Jess Willard's cold wasn't much better yesterday and the champion remained in bed to "sweat it out" rather than take a chance of having his $67,500 ten-round bout with Frank Moran at New York again postponed. Manager Tom Jones held a bedside conference with Jess, but was unable to say when the big fellow would resume training.

Mrs. Willard and the hired girl continued "shooing away" agents who said they had a guaranteed cure.

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LONDON, Feb. 21.—Great interest is being aroused in sporting circles by two matches which are to be fought tonight. Bombadier Wells, the British heavyweight champion, will meet Dick Smith, light heavyweight champion of England, to decide the heavyweight championship. Pat O'Keefe, the middleweight champion, will defend his title against Jim Sullivan.

All the participants are now serving in the army as noncommissioned officers. Wells weighed in at 189 pounds and Smith at 178. O'Keefe and Sullivan will meet at catch weights.

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WILLIAMS' REPLY TO EDDIE GORDON.

Sporting Editor The Freeman:

LITLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 19, 1916.—I said I would meet Jordan any time, winner take all. Jordan calls himself a boxer, although he stays in Warren, Ark. I guess the people of Warren, Ark., have a good schooling—enough to run their own business and not let Jordan. Now, if Jordan wants to make good as a boxer, come on out of Warren—even to Hot Springs, the city where everybody goes, and the chances are that he might do the come-back stunt as all other old-time pugs have done. Jordan, you had better stay in Warren, the town in the bottoms, where you can get by. But, maybe, the boy is surrounded with water down in old Arkansas and Mississippi bottoms, so when the floods are all over he can come to Hot Springs. There are plenty of boys to take care of him. I do not care to come to the big sawmill town. If Jordan has made good, he sure ought to get some one to pass the hat around and get the fare to come to Hot Springs. What he don't learn from me Britt Sims will teach him.

LESLIE WILLIAMS,
Little Rock, Ark.

WILLIAMS, THE WELTERWEIGHT CHAMP, CHALLENGES EDDIE PALMER.

K. O. Lew Williams, the welterweight of the world, challenges Eddie Palmer of New Orleans. Williams has defeated some of the best boys in the world; he knocked out Battling Jack Russell in four rounds, and a score of others. His address is Daytona, Fla.

BAN ON BOUTS BETWEEN NEGROES AND WHITES.

New York's New Commission Rules.

New weight requirements, the positive ban against bouts between Negroes and whites and thirty-two other regulations for the government of the fight game went on the books of the new fight commission February 21.

The kidney punch is still taboo, but the back-hand punch is given a clean bill of health again.

The revised classifications are: Paperweight, 108 pounds; bantamweight, 115; featherweight, 123; lightweight, 133; welterweight, 144; middleweight, 158; commission, 175, and heavyweight, above 175 pounds.

WILLARD-MORAN BOUT PROBABLY WILL BE STAGED MARCH 25.

CHICAGO—Dave Lewinsohn, Chicago representative of the promoters of the Willard-Moran boxing match, stated last week that Saturday, March 25, had been tentatively selected as the date to which the fight be postponed. Willard is said to have refused flatly to fight on March 8, the date originally set. In some quarters today it was reported that Willard is not ill, but is so far out of condition that he wants more time for condtiioning.

"I suggested the new date in a telephone conversation with Tex Rickard at New Orleans today,' said Mr. Lewinsohn. "Tom Jones, Willard's manager, was with Rickard while he talked, and neither objected to this date."

PATTERSON OUTPOINTS MURPHY IN EIGHT ROUNDS.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 23.—Leo Patterson of Joplin outpointed Earl Murphy of St. Louis in the feature event of the weekly negro boxing show at the Future City Athletic Club last night. The visitor was too clever and fast for the local lad, scoring often and effectively with a left jab. The boys are lightweights.

In the semi-final "Battling" Gahee and "Kid" Alberts, middleweights, boxed eight rounds to a draw. "Kid" Dusty defeated "Kid" Peoples in the six-round preliminary, the weight being 125 pounds. "Morgan Street Wonder" captured the battle royal. Sammy Dixon officiated as the referee.

HOWARD DREW LEADS FIELD OF SIX IN INDOOR SPRINT

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 21.—Howard Drew outclassed an excellent field of six other sprinters in the special 75-yard dash at the indoor races of the naval militia National Guard here tonight, and despite a slow track he won easily in 7 4-5 seconds.

The best race of the night was the mile relay between Harvard and Pennsylvania, the latter quartet winning by two yards. Bingham and Meredith met as anchor men and the latter was off to a two-yard lead, which he increased to four, but as he was not pushed hard, he eased up slightly and Bingham split the distance. It was the fastest race of the evening, the time being 3:29 2-5.

BATTLING WILLIAMS WILL MEET ALL MIDDLE AND HEAVYWEIGHTS OF NOTE.

Jacksonville, Fla., Feb. 19, 1916.
Sporting Editor of The Freeman:

Dear Sir—Would you be so kind as to publish the following challenge in your sporting columns:

Battling Williams, of Baltimore, Md., whose address is now in Jacksonville, Fla., challenges all middle and light-heavyweight boxes of note.

Battling Williams has met such boys as "Kid" Norfolk, of Baltimore, draw, in six rounds; Jack Moore, of Virginia, won in six rounds; Ike Griffins, the New York cyclone, won in ten rounds; "Hock Bones," of Tennessee, draw in fifteen rounds; Ike Griffins, won again in ten rounds; Willie Langford, draw in ten rounds; Cyclone Thompson, of Atlanta, Ga., knock out in seven rounds; Jim Jackson, of Jacksonville, Fla., knock out in twelve rounds; Battling Mears, of Geneva, Ill., won in ten rounds; Willie Langford, of New York, won in fifteen rounds, and many other.

Thanking you for your trouble, I remain, Yours for sport,
BATTLING WILLIAMS,
1647 Cleveland St.,
Jacksonville, Fla.

KID HOY LEAVES FOR TULSA, OKLA.

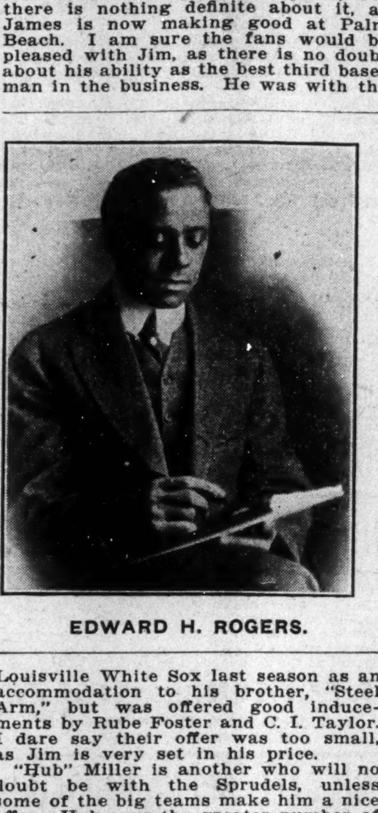
LOVEJOY, Ill., Feb. 23.—Managers Dr. Earle Williams and Walter Fletcher and Ed Rockymore, who looks after Kid Hoy's business in the box affairs, are sending their classy, recognized world's champion middleweight boxer to Tulsa, Okla., to challenge the winner of the Jack Mitchell vs. Jeff Clark boxing bout, which takes place before Promoter Billy McClain's Palm Garden A. C. on February 21. Hoy, June 20, 1910, met Hock Bones of Memphis, Tenn., before the Phoenix A. C. This happened when Hoy was a welterweight, doing 142 pounds. Hock Bones knocked out Kid Hoy in three rounds. This Hoy regretted, and for some years the clever Hoy was unable to get the correct State Hock Bones was boxing in. Last winter Hoy went to Memphis, Tenn., to trail Mr. Hock. Hock was then in Savannah, Ga., and later drifted to New York city, so Hoy, without a manager, made his way back to Lima, O., then to Toledo, O., to his old headquarters. Now, this winter we find Kid Hoy located in Lovejoy or Newport, Ill., or care of Madison, Ill., and lucky enough to secure three business managers. Then, again, Promoter Sam Dixon of St. Louis, Mo., who stages colored bouts before the Future City A. C., had signed an all-star card, signing Jack Blackburn and Hock Bones on February 4, 1916. While Blackburn is quite a drawing card throughout the south, he failed to show on account of an injury, so on a day's notice Kid Hoy acted in his place and faced Hock Bones, the champion knockout king, and it was a swell house. Both boxer and slugging fighter mauled each other for eight rounds, and it was called a draw. In the second round Hoy's eye was closed, but the clever Baltimore champion battled on and received a draw. "It was a fierce battle," said Hoy; and Hock Bones stated: "I didn't realize it was the same old boy Hoy, as he is a game boxer, and fighting as if both eyes were all right. I will box Hoy if the terms are O. K., and so I said to Promoter Sam Dixon. I will do my hard training at Tulsa, Okla., or in the Palm Garden A. C. gymnasium for any bout promoted by Mr. Billy McClain. I still do 158 pounds at 3 p. m., and I'll try to beat Jeff Clark, the Fighting Ghost of Joplin, Mo., though I'm sure he's bigger than me, so I'm sure the sporting public can say at any time I've boxed I've done my best, and I win. I've lost but a few battles, still I've been boxing for ten years. Yours in sport. I'll do my best always. Harvey O. Bear (known as Kid Hoy), world's champion colored middleweight boxer, from Baltimore, Md.

GET EVEN, EDDIE, WAS THE ANSWER FOR THE SPRUDELS, SEASON 1916.

(By Ed Rogers.)

Manager Rogers was somewhat undecided about his team until a few days ago, when he conferred with Mr. Rexford of the Springs company. Mr. Rexford said he had about decided to give up baseball as an entertainment for the hotel, but would at least give Eddie "a chance to get even."

So the boys may look up their old gloves, and report for spring practice about April. There will be the usual quarters and board by the hotel, which ought to give vent to a good club. There are few plans set for the coming season, as percentage ball cannot be relied upon. Managers cannot hold players to a contract under such conditions; therefore the players will be picked from those that are able to make their way to the springs. This season will find Manager Rogers willing to give all recruits a chance, as there will be no advance money or prepaid tickets. Jim Taylor has promised to be the Sprudels' captain, but there is nothing definite about it, as James is now making good at Palm Beach. I am sure the fans would be pleased with Jim, as there is no doubt about his ability as the best third baseman in the business. He was with the



EDWARD H. ROGERS.

Louisville White Sox last season as an accommodation to his brother, "Steel Arm," but was offered good inducements by Rube Foster and C. I. Taylor. I dare say their offer was too small, as Jim is very set in his price.

"Hub" Miller is another who will no doubt be with the Sprudels, unless some of the big teams make him a nice offer. Hub says the greater number of colored players run all over the country for the pleasure there is in it, but when he leaves West Baden again he will have to be given a fat salary with a written guarantee for his money.

Ed Harrison is another who will hold a good position with the Sprudels. Harrison will no doubt act as club secretary. George Brown, Charley Blackwell, Frank Casey, Burl White, George Dandy, Lee, Keene, Downs and Kimbro may also be in the line-up. I would like to hear from some of the boys at Palm Beach that would like to try out with the Sprudels.

When I mention the names of some of my last season's players I cannot but think of my manager of last spring; one of the worst fellows I ever had any dealing with in baseball is Chappie (Rat) Johnson. Chappie, I am told, has confidenced some baseball concern in Dayton, Ohio, and I want to warn them in time of his baseball character. He is what I might call a confidential man, and has gotten his reputation from his scientific way of receiving a ball, but his other qualities are an absolute blank. He is a club disorganizer and well-known field "squabbler." On more than one occaseion I failed to get dates in the big cities unless he was benched.

When C. I. Taylor wrote of the sentiment in Cuba against colored players he was writing about Chappie for one, for he had often tried to school some of my players in some of his old tricks. Any club he is on will not be able to get dates with any of the well-organized clubs. Chappie is so well known that just a few days ago "Mikie" Brennan, chief umpire of the "Feds," said: 'Rogers, for God's sake, keep away from that 'Rat' Johnson, for I don't want him down here borrowing from me."

EDWARD H. ROGERS.

BEST MEN OF MIDDLEWEIGHT DIVISION.

Ten Names — No Negroes Among Them—The Omission Resented.

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 13, 1916.
Sporting Editor of The Freeman,
Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir—I take this means of correcting a wrong impression as to the world's middleweight championship.

A writer on a sporting sheet published weekly in the city of New York delights in naming as the ten best middleweights, Mike Gibbons, George Chip, Les Darcy, Young Ahern, Joe Borrell, Jimmy Clabby, Bob Moha, George (K. O.) Brown, Billy Murray, Gus Christie and several, others, all whites, yet cannot feel that sense of justice by adding the names of a few colored men who are as good if not better than the whole squad of his choice.

What about Jack Blackburn, who is still a great boxer, at least as good as Clabby? What about Tommy Coleman, who can outbox and outfight the best of them? How about Willie Langford, who could hold any of them even for any number of rounds? How about Young Jack Johnson, who could keep them company? Last but not least, how about Eddie Palmer, whose record compares favorably with any boxer in the world? Palmer has beaten Jeff Smith when he only weighed 142 pounds; Smith scaled 158 pounds. Palmer has beaten Borrell and Joe outweighed him. Palmer has boxed Levinski twice, losing one and winning one newspaper decision. Levinski weighed 170 pounds and Palmer 143. Palmer never worried about a man making weight; he was always willing to take on anybody. He has had fully 135 fights with the very best men who could be gotten to box him, and he beat them all; he was never decisively beaten. He is only 25 years old and does not weigh more than 152 pounds, but I'll match him with any man living up to 158. I'll match him to fight Gibbons and if the great Mike gets as good as a draw will not want a cent. If there is any middleweight who thinks that he can beat Palmer I'd like to hear from him.

Think of it, men, this boy fought eighteen 20-round battles in the state of Louisiana within fourteen months against the toughest and best fighters of the world, and won sixteen times, lost one decision and was robbed of one decision by a crooked referee. The man who was given this unfair decision over him Palmer afterwards gave a terrible beating in 15 rounds.

Palmer has been out here in the West three months; he has had eleven batles, winning them all. We are headed for Denver and the Northwest, where we hope to show Palmer's capabilities. Perhaps in the near future this cloud will darken the brightness of the glorious white brigade of classy middleweights as the old master, the late Joe Gans of Baltimore, did.

Yours truly,
JOHN A. THOLMER.
1902 Jackson St.

EVERY SPORTSMAN SHOULD GET BEHIND CONSERVATION PLAN.

(C. C. Darby of Marion County Fish and Game Protective Association, says support should be given working machine for protecting and propagating fish and game.)

The time has come when every sportsman in the State should wake up to the fact that if there is not a well organized plan of some kind put forward and worked for till it is accomplished, the hunting and fishing in Indiana will, in a few years, be a thing of the past.

The Indiana Fish, Game and Forest League is working out a system whereby the State fish and game department would become an efficient, smoothly working machine for protecting and propagating our fish and game. This system is the appointment of a commission, non-salaried, and strictly non-political.

When the time comes, every hunter, angler and conservationist should get behind this movement and push it through. This cannot be done by merely wishing luck to the few who are working hard, but will require a united effort, with every man interested, doing his best.

When I say "every man interested," it means most of our population, the men who hunt and fish most directly, even those who practice illegal means must realize that something should be done.

The manufacturers of equipment used by the sportsmen, and the retail firms who sell it, as well as all those employed in both branches, should be even more interested than the sportsmen themselves.

The interurbans and railroads benefit materially from a passenger standpoint and, therefore the employes and owners should be interested.

The farmers are benefited, because the men who are continually making these little excursions in the country come to like the good fresh air to such an extent that they often buy a farm for themselves, and demand creates value.

Still others, who live near the lakes, derive quite an income through the sale of produce to the campers during the summer.

This is food for serious thought, and in a few months every one affected will be called upon to do his part.

LESLIE WILLIAM PUTS IT ON EDDIE GORDON.

To the Editor of The Freeman.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Eddie Gordon, who calls himself a boxer, never had a chance with me in a ten-round bout at Warren, Ark., recently. I knocked him to his knees three times in the fifth round and the bell saved him. I outweighed Gordon six pounds, and the only reason I did not knock him out was because I could not catch him. When I went to Warren from Little Rock he asked me not to knock him out, as there was nothing to the crowd. I will meet Gordon or any other boy my weight any time. My address is 1304 Gaines street, Little Rock, Ark. My weight is 158 pounds. I want to tell everybody Gordon is not a boxer. Many thanks and oblige

LESLIE WILLIAMS.

NATIONAL LEAGUE GIVES CORRECT MEASUREMENTS OF DIAMONDS

The erroneous idea of the distance between the home plate and first base, or between any of the other "sacks," and that which separates third base from the home plate seems to prevail not alone among fans, who generally accept the measurement as ninety feet, but also by some ground keepers. This error caused Secretary Heydler, of the National League, a short time ago, to issue an order calling for the reconstruction, on account of faulty measurement, of some of the league's playing diamonds. Under the rules laid down for a diamond's construction the various distances are as follows:

Home plate to first base, 87 feet 9 inches; first to second base, 88 feet 1½ inches; second to third base, 88 feet 1½ inches from third base to the home plate, 87 feet 9 inches. The home plate, or rather the front of it, should be exactly 87 feet 1 inch from the pitcher's box, as the official measurement from the intersectional lines which meet at the back of the plate should be 60 feet 6 inches. As the plate measures 17 inches through from back to front, it will be seen that the forward point of it should be located exactly 59 feet and 1 inch from the pitcher's box.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

Mrs. Lucy Jones of 920 Paca St. is much improved at this writing.

Mr. Wm. Guy, of the Clover Leaf Casualty Company, was in the city on business.

Hear the Home Trio at Simpson Chapel March 3. Program will begin at 8:30 sharp. No reserved seats.

Earl Reynolds and Miss Beulah Porter spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. Reynolds' mother in Danville, Ind.

Mr. Ernest W. Evans, enroute from Columbus, Ohio, passed through the city on his return home at Robinson, Ill.

Miss Ruth Sissle, who graduated in the January class of Shortridge, is engaged in college work at the Western Reserve.

Mrs. Joseph B. Timberlake entertained a party of friends at cards last Monday evening at her home in Indianapolis avenue.

Mr. Bert Williams and Mr. William Chappell of Follies 1159 was the guest of Mrs. Lucy Van Wyke last week, left for Cincinnati, O., Sunday.

Charles Stewart, the well known newspaper correspondent, passed through the city last Monday enroute to Chicago from the South.

Mrs. Mildred Chowing died February 17th at her residence, 1614 North Senate avenue, and was buried Friday, February 19th, from her residence

Mrs. Patsy Hart McGruder, who was stricken with paralysis Thursday a week ago is still very ill at her daughter's residence, 607 Dorman St.

Miss Eugenia Dent, who recently returned from Nashville, Tenn., where she was studying at Fisk University, has gone to Frankfort, Ky., to visit.

The Royal club entertained its friends last Friday evening at the Pythian Castle Hall. A large number of guests attended the dance and had a delightful time.

The basketball team from Fiske University will play the team of the Colored Y. M. C. A. about the middle of next month. The game will take place in the gymnasium of the "Y."

The young women's bible class of the Second Christian church, of which George L. Hayes is the teacher, is making preparations for a play to be given March 17 at the church.

Miss Birdie Clay, of Louisville, Ky., who was called to Indianapolis on account of the illness and death of Mr. George A. Smith, of 32 West St. Clair street, has returned to her home.

Dr. R. H. Boyd, of the National Baptist Publishing House, of Nashville, Tenn., will preach at the Antioch Baptist church morning and evening service of Sunday, February 26. The Rev. B. F. Farrell is the pastor.

Dr. R. H. Whitaker left Wednesday evening for his home in Tulsa, Okla. Dr. Whitaker assisted Dr. B. J. F. Westbrook in revival services at the Second Baptist church for the past ten days with great success.

Rev. Dr. Westbrook left Wednesday morning for the National Baptist Convention at Nashville, Tenn., from where he will go to his home, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, returning to this city the first of April to the Second Baptist Church to conduct a grand rally.

Mrs. Juanita M. Lloyd, of St. Louis, granddaughter of Mrs. Mary L. Hunter, of 2337 Hillside avenue, is the guest of her grandmother's residence in Brightwood. She had just arrived in the city for a two weeks' stay when stricken. Dr. Puryear is the attending physician.

The Rev. George H. Shaffer, presiding elder of the Richmond district of the A. M. E. conference, is seriously sick as the result of a fall. The quarterly meetings which were to have been conducted by him at Weaver and Marion, Ind., last Sunday, have been postponed.

Interest increases in the musical concert to be given March 3 at Simpson Chapel, under the management of Mrs. J. T. V. Hill of the city public schools. The Home Trio, composed of Frank Fowler Brown, Russell Smith, the colored composer, and Theodore Cable, will give program.

Harry Stokes was the principal speaker for the Society of Ethical Culture last Sunday afternoon at the Witherspoon Presbyterian church. His subject being "Influence." Other numbers on the program were a violin solo by Miss Lillian Davis; vocal selection, Ralph McWilliams. The meeting was held at 4:30.

In honor of Judge Robert H. Terrell, of Municipal Court of Washington, D. C., and Rev. D. B. J. F. Wesbrook of Oklahoma City, Okla., Mrs. Lucy Van Dyke of 444 West Vermont Street gave a beautiful three-course breakfast Tuesday, February 22, at 10:30. Covers were laid for six: Rev. R. H. Whitaker of Tulsa, Okla.; Mrs. M. D. Brascher of Cleveland, O.; Rev. Dr. W. H. Weaver and A. E. Manning of Indianapolis. The table was beautifully decorated in pink and white carnations. Judge Robert H. Terrell left for Cincinnati, Ohio, at noon, where he delivered a speech.

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CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the many friends who sympathized with us during the illness and death of our son and brother, George A. Smith, who departed this life February 4th, in the full triumph of faith, also the Rev. W. E. Thomas, of Union Tabernacle, for his consoling remarks and the undertaker, C. M. C. Willis, for the care he exercised in preparing the body for shipping, and the friends in and out of town for their beautiful floral offerings, the Louisville friends for their kindness shown us while their especial undertaker, H. C. Lauderdale, for the efficient manner in which he conducted the funeral, the Rev. J. W. Lewis and Rev. Wm. Johnson for the remarks of consolation.

Mrs. C. Smith, mother.

Misses Jordina Smith, Edith Smith, sisters.

MRS. JENNIE SHERMAN VISITS THE HOOSIER CAPITAL AND WAS DELIGHTFULLY ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. Jennie H. Sherman, one of the leading hair dressers of Cincinnati, O., stopped over from St. Louis on business looking up a branch hair parlor, and was the guest of Mrs. Ora Jeckerson. While in the city Mrs. Sherman was entertained by Mrs. Mayme Lindsay, who gave a party in her honor and was also tendered a luncheon on Tuesday by Mrs. Alfreda Eubanks, which was a delightful affair. On last Wednesday Mr. Eugene White entertained in honor of Mrs. Sherman, a theater party of 12 with dinner party. The house was beautifully decorated with palms and ferns. On Thursday, Mrs. Wickware gave a Japanese party. The ladies were all beautifully dressed in Japanese style.

LINCOLN-DOUGLASS MEMORIAL A SUCCESS.

The Lincoln-Douglass anniversary memorial at Tomlinson Hall last Sunday, under the auspices of the I. C. M. A. and the personal direction of Mr. N. D. Brasher, was a distinctive success. With festooned flags and bunting lending a touch of patriotic color to the spacious auditorium, the singing of the national anthem by the audience, standing with waving flags, marking the inaugural for the meeting, which was begun when the speakers of the hour were escorted to the platform. Mr. Brasher introduced Rev. N. M. Haygood, who in turn introduced Hon. James E. Watson, who delivered a splendid oration on "Abraham Lincoln," and Hon. Robert H. Terrell, municipal judge of Washington, D. C., who spoke on "Frederick Douglass." Frank Fowler Brown sang a solo and J. Willis Willis rendered a whistling solo. A band and fife and drum corps furnished the music.

E. L. MOGGE, SPEAKER FOR SUNDAY MEETING.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Dr. B. J. F. Westbrook, of Oklahoma City, Okla., delivered a very timely and interesting address to the men of the Monster Meeting on last Sunday. His subject was "Catching and Holding." A large number of men greeted Dr. Wesbrook and demonstrated by their applause that they heartily agreed with his message.

Dr. F. A. Stokes delivered the fourth of a series of lectures to the boys' Sunday League. This talk embraced phases of the school and home life of the Indians.

Mr. E. L. Mogge, financial secretary of the Y. M. C. A.'s of Indiana, will be the speaker at the Monster Meeting Sunday, February 27th. "Man Power" will be his subject. Mr. Mogge, who has been connected with the Associations in Indiana for more than twenty years, is peculiarly fitted to address Association men and those interested in the movement. A thirty minute sacred program, beginning at 3 p. m., will be rendered by the Y. M. C. A. band and orchestra. At 3:30 a men's chorus of 50 voices, led by Secretary Thos. E. Taylor, will sing. All men are cordially invited.

The boys' Sunday League will be addressed Sunday by Mr. Harvey Jackson on "Some Turning Points in a Boy's Life." He will also read a number of selections. The popularity of these meetings is increasing with each succeeding session.

A large number of boys whose memberships expired in February, have renewed, showing by their action that they appreciate the Association and its efforts to keep them interested.

Boy Scout Troop No. 11, composed of members of the Association, held an athletic and swimming meet at the Association on Tuesday evening. Scout James Nicholson was the individual point winner, having 15 points to his credit. Scout Leander Overton was second with 9 points. Scout Weathers third with 5 points. Their evening program closed with a banquet in the cafe, with the following present: Scouts Nicholson, Howard, Weathers, Eubanks, M. Stewart, L. Stewart, Overton, Bunch, Etter and Howe, Assistant Scout Master Chas. Stewart and Scout Master F. E. DeFrantz. The next meet will be in charge of Assistant Scout Master Stewart.

Counting the Sunday meeting, the Tuesday evening devotional period and the three Bible classes, more than 150 boys attended religious services each week conducted by the boys' department.

A rally known as "$10 in 10 days" has been launched by the boys' financial committee in order to add some equipment to the department. Mr. Joe O'Neal is chairman of the committee.

The American Negro Folk Song Society is rapidly rounding into shape for their recital to be given Friday evening, March 24th, at Caleb Mills hall. This organization, composed of the city's best talent, will render a program that has never been heard by the music lovers of this city. The rehearsals every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings are very largely attended and a number of new artists appearing at each session. There is, however, opportunity offered for others to join.

About 30 men are now enrolled in the community class which meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings and every day by appointment.

The barber and common schools are well attended. Drs. Puryear and Gibbs interested about 50 men Wednesday evening in a health lecture. These lectures, conducted under the auspices of the educational department, are proving very popular.

TO THE MEMORY OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND FREDERICK DOUGLASS AT TOMLINSON HALL LAST SUNDAY, FEB. 20.

The memory of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass was fittingly observed when the memorial at Tomlinson Hall was held under the auspices of the Indiana Association of Colored Men. The great hall was fittingly decorated for the occasion with American aflgs, pictures of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, drawn by the very promising Indianapolis Colored artist, Mr. John Hardrick, hung above the stage.

For one hour before the meeting, Clay's Military Band and Good's G. A. R. Drum Corps furnished appropriate music for the occasion. Just before the beginning of the program, every person present was given an American flag, and while the audience stood, the band played "The Star Spangled Banner," the speakers for the occasion were escorted to the platform by a score of ushers.

The program opened with the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," after which the invocation was given by the Rev. Charles Sumner Brown, pastor of A. M. E. church, Connersville, Ind. The chairman of the program, Rev. L. M. Hapgood, pastor of Saulter's Methodist church, Terre Haute, Ind., was introduced by Mr. Nahum D. Brascher, executive secretary of the association. Rev. Hapgood made a few remarks, and was followed by two beautiful tenor solos by Mr. Frank Fowler Brown.

The first speaker was Hon. James E. Watson of Rushville, Ind., former member of the Sixth Indiana District, who delivere a most eloquent address on Abraham Lincoln. Mr. Watson's ability was recognized by all, but on this occasion he was at his best. He reviewed the life of Lincoln from his birth to the time of the fatal assassination.

Mr. J. W. Wills of Cleveland rendered a whistling solo, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic. Although a business man, Mr. Wills has excellent power as a whistling soloist.

Judge Robert H. Terrell, judge of the Municipal Court, Washington, D. C., was then introduced. He dealt on one phase of the life of Frederick Douglass, his ability as an orator. Judge Terrell brought out some fine points concerning the persuasive powers of Mr. Douglass and raptly held the interest of the congregation. The program was completed with the benediction by Rev. J. C. Dunbar of St. Mark's Temple, A. M. E. Z Church, Indianapolis

During his stay in Indianapolis, Judge Terrell was cordially received by the citizens. He was the guest of honor at a stag given at the residence of Mr. Wm. C. Brown in West Twelfth. On Monday evening the lawyers of the city gave a banquet at the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday morning Judge Terrell gave a breakfast in honor of a few friends

The portraits of Lincoln and Douglass were handsomely framed and were hung at Simpson Chapel Thursday evening when Mr. Joseph H. Douglass, grandson of Frederick Douglass, gave a violin recital. The portraits, which were given to the Y. M. C. A., will be formally presented Sunday

STEREOPTICON EXHIBITION AND LECTURE ON GYNECOLOGY.

Miss Lillian B. Hawkins, formerly of Lexington, Ky., is in the city the sole representative of the Woman's Mutual Benefit Association of Joliet, Ill. She is interested in the ethics and science of gynecology, in which she is rapidly establishing a reputation for assisting women in their peculiar distresses.

On the evening of February —, Miss Hawkins gave a stereopticon exhibition and lecture at the home of Mrs. J. T. V. Hill, 1619 Martindale avenue, bearing on the work in which she is engaged. This beautiful home was well filled with prominent women who, judging from manifestations, were pleased and benefited by what they say and heard.

Requests were made to have exhibition and lecture repeated in the near future. Miss Hawkins is seriously considering the matter.

JOHNSTOWN, PA.

(Burrell Johnson.)

Messrs. R. Johnson, H. T. Scott, H. Darts and A. Lloyd were taken into the Coachman and Porters' Clubs last evening.

Mr. Ross Stewart of 627 Sherman is in the hospital because of a fractured leg and broken kneecap.

Mr. J. S. Caton also returned from the Memorial Hospital, after being sick with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan, from Richmond, are stopping at the Wayside Inn.

A male piano player is wanted by a local orchestra. For information address Burrell Johnson, 421 Bedford street, Johnstown, Pa., or call 1631-J, Johnstown 1, Bell phone.

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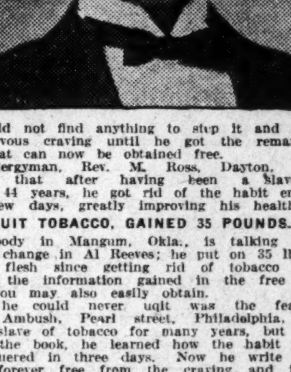

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